

## YANKS MAKE COMEBACK IN BELGIUM

WARD'S STRIKE  
IS MARKED BY  
CIO VIOLENCELOSS AT DEARBORN  
STORE RUNS IN  
THOUSANDS

Detroit, Dec. 27. (P)—Violence marked the strike at Montgomery Ward & Co. stores here today as more than 50 persons entered the company's suburban Dearborn store and caused damage estimated by the manager to amount to several thousand dollars.

Two men, identified by police as members of the United Automobile Workers (CIO), were detained for investigation of malicious destruction of property.

**Counters Wrecked**  
R. L. Estabrook, manager of the store, who said the demonstrators were members of the UAW-CIO "flying squadrons," reported that men and women participated in tipping counters, breaking show-case glass, ripping clothing and spilling perfume and cologne.

No one was injured during the disorder, which began about 11 a. m. and lasted ten minutes. Dearborn police took into custody, as they were leaving the store, two men they identified as Stanley A. Bukowski, 45, member of Local 174, UAW-CIO, and William E. Smith, 32, member of Local 163, UAW-CIO.

The Auto Workers Union has been supporting the strike by members of the CIO's Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees Union at Ward's four Detroit area stores, but a UAW-CIO spokesman said that "so far as we know, no illegal activity has been engaged in."

Police quoted Bukowski as saying he went to the Dearborn store today to buy some sheeting, and Smith as saying he went to support the picket line. Mike M. Smith, one of the policemen who arrested the pair, said a milling group tried to prevent him from arresting Bukowski.

**Seizure Expected**  
Roy Scorgins, regional director of the Employees Union, said a normal demonstration had been attempted at the store, but that a fight ensued when the demonstrators were accosted by "the imported workers in the store." He denied any damage was caused by the demonstration.

The strike here started Dec. 9 in an attempt to force the Montgomery Ward management to comply with War Labor board directives on wages, maintenance of union membership and grievance procedure.

Government seizure of Ward property in connection with the firm's refusal to obey WLB directives has been expected for days. Hearing on a petition by the company for an injunction restraining pickets from interfering with employees of the three Wayne county Ward stores was adjourned by Circuit Judge John V. Brennan today until Jan. 3. A similar injunction has been in effect in Oakland county, covering the strike-affected Royal Oak store, since Dec. 20.

**WALKOUT IN CHICAGO**  
Chicago, Dec. 27. (P)—A strike by members of the United Retail, Wholesale, and Department Store Employees CIO union in the Chicago plants of Montgomery Ward & Co. was called for 6 a. m. tomorrow, Leonard Levy, union international vice-president, announced tonight.

Levy said picket lines will be formed around Ward's huge mail

## Weather

(Reported by U. S. Weather Bureau)

LOWER MICHIGAN: Fair except snow flurries along Lake Michigan, continued rather cold Thursday. Friday increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer with light snow by night.

UPPER MICHIGAN: Fair except snow flurries along Lake Superior, and a little colder Thursday. Friday occasional light snow and a little warmer. Gentle to moderate winds.

ESCANABA	High	Low
Temperatures—Low Yesterday		
Alpena	below zero	
Battle Creek	2	Marquette 48
Bismarck	8	Miami 66
Brownsville	47	Milwaukee 5
Buffalo	5	Minneapolis 9
Chicago	6	New Orleans 58
Cincinnati	12	New York 18
Cleveland	5	Omaha 16
Denver	31	Pittsburgh 7
Detroit	7	St. Louis 15
Duluth	8	St. Paul 15
Grand Rapids	4	San Francisco 47
Houghton	9	Traverse City 7
Lansing	1	Washington 21

Allied Timetable  
Disrupted By Huge  
Losses In Europe

BY JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

Washington, Dec. 27. (P)—Terrible losses suffered by American armies on the western front have completely disrupted the Allied timetable for the war in Europe.

Authorities here have lost none of their confidence in the ultimate victory over Germany but, as a result of the German advance, they now estimate that victory may be won only by three to six months more of hard fighting than they had believed necessary only two or three weeks ago.

Even incomplete reports from the battle lines have made it evident to strategists here that General Eisenhower has suffered very heavy losses in material—guns, tanks, shells, food and thousands of other items—and also has taken a beating in manpower—killed, captured and wounded.

This means that many weeks which might have been spent in shoving the advance into Germany must now be spent instead in reorganizing and outfitting units battered by the German assault.

It means, in the last analysis, that barring a hoped-for but unlikely break for the Allied side that the fighting in Europe will go on far into 1945.

**Intelligence Off Guard**  
The great break hoped for is that the Nazi high command will spend its full reserve powers on the present offensive and then suffer a complete defeat at the hands of General Eisenhower's reorganized forces.

However, there is no disposition in high Washington quarters to gamble even personal hopes for victory on such a possibility.

Moreover it is admitted that military intelligence was thrown off guard by the time and place of the enemy assault which also had much to do with its success. Since the initial German advance, Eisenhower's problem has been to take counter-measures which would allow him to withdraw and regroup his forces and at the same time prevent the loss of any vital strategic points.

Such points are Namur and Liege, highway hubs extremely important to the supply system in Belgium. The fate of the fighting during the next few hours or days when the Germans seek to reach or isolate those places may well determine just how much longer the war will have to go on to victory.

Holiday Whisky  
Bonus Ends Jan. 2

Lansing, Dec. 27. (P)—Punch No. 17 on individual liquor ration cards will be valid Jan. 2 for the remainder of the month, the state liquor control commission said today.

Whisky will continue to be the only liquor rationed, with the allowance remaining at one quart, four-fifths of a gallon or two pints per person.

The commission also announced that effective Jan. 2 it would revoke concessions granted to licensees for the holiday season, including the 20 per cent increase in quotas for specially designated dealers and the one-case increase in whisky allotments to places serving liquor by the glass whose quotas were under six cases a week.

The announcement said all specially designated dealers on Jan. 2 would return to the same ratio of whisky and non-whisky beverages in purchase of supplies effective prior to Dec. 1.

Cook Is Suffocated  
In Sandwich Shop

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 27. (P)—Jack B. Cook, 21, was suffocated today as fire damaged the Congleton sandwich shop, where he was employed as a night cook.

Firemen said Cook was asleep in a basement bedroom at the shop, operated by his uncle, Herbert Cook, when the fire broke out. His cries were heard by fellow employees and patrons, who knocked a hole in the floor in an effort to rescue him.

Cook's uncle and Fireman Donald Budrow found him near a stairway, where he had collapsed.

Coldest Christmas  
Felt In England

London, Dec. 27. (P)—Now it can be told that Christmas, 1944, was England's coldest Christmas since 1872, the date that systematic temperature readings were begun.

London was the coldest spot, with the reading 13 degrees Fahrenheit, but there were record falls of ice cream, newly returned to the market after a wartime economy ban.

In one restaurant waitresses wearing overcoats sold out the ice cream stock in two hours.

Greek Conference  
Agrees On Regent  
To End Civil War

BY STEPHEN BARBER

Athens, Thursday, Dec. 28. (P)—Prime Minister Churchill, who came here to help solve the armed strife which has rent this country, was fired upon by an Elías sniper yesterday morning as he stood outside the British embassy.

The bullet whistled by him and struck a young woman 300 yards away.

This was but one incident in a tense, dramatic day in which the opposing Greek factions agreed unanimously upon a regency as a principal step toward ending the civil warfare here and Churchill told a press conference that he, Premier Stalin and President

ATTACK AIMED  
AT FIFTH ARMYAllied Outposts Forced  
To Withdraw; Planes  
Bomb Troops

BY NOLAND NORGAARD

Rome, Dec. 27. (P)—The enemy has counterattacked in the Serchio Valley sector of the Fifth army front at the western end of the Italian battlefield and has forced Allied outposts to withdraw to prepared positions, the Allied command announced today.

The German air force also came to life again over the snow-covered central sector. Several enemy aircraft swooped over the region north of San Benedetto, due south of Bologna, and dropped anti-personnel bombs. Bombs also landed northwest of Grizzana, which is southwest of Bologna.

The Eighth army sector at the eastern end of the front generally was quiet, although the Canadians still fanned out northeast of newly-captured Rosetta, clearing out fortified buildings in a house-to-house advance.

Other Eighth army units were doing similar jobs from south of Bagnacavallo to Faenza, where remnants of enemy rear guards were defending every available building as they tried to block the Allied advance through the network of waterways, canals and rivers of the eastern Po valley.

Surplus Hardware  
Offered Dealers

Chicago, Dec. 27. (P)—Hardware dealers who have found their stocks depleted can replenish them to some extent now at the Treasury Department's Office of Surplus Property in Chicago. F. A. Mapes, regional director, said today.

Mapes listed "large quantities" of carriage bolts, stove bolts, ball joints, lockwashers, harness rings, rubber life rafts for duck hunting, 250,000 compasses and other items as available for disposal.

Dealers in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, and North Dakota and South Dakota are eligible to buy through the Chicago office, Mapes said. Merchandise will be sold only to established dealers at OPA ceilings.

Kelly To Address  
Legislature Jan. 4

Lansing, Dec. 27. (P)—The legislature will hear Governor Kelly read his opening message to the lawmakers Thursday, Jan. 4, at 2 p. m., Eastern War Time, the day after they convene in their regular biennial session.

The governor said he did not expect to require more than an hour to deliver the message in which he will outline to lawmakers statutory changes he desires. There have been indications that it will be followed at a later date by a supplemental message since his tax study commission has failed to provide him with a formal report of recommendations for changes in state and local revenue procedures.

France Joins United  
Nations On Jan. 1

Washington, Dec. 27. (P)—France will become the 36th United Nation on New Year's Day.

The state department announced that France will sign the declaration by United Nations here that day in the presence of representatives of the United Nations.

Under Gen. Charles De Gaulle's committee of liberation and the recent weeks of his provisional government the country has been considered as associated but not a member of the United Nations.

Ambassador Henri Bonnet will sign for his country.

Roosevelt would take up the Greek question at a meeting to be held in the near future.

In view of the agreement of the all-party conference upon a regency, the next step appeared to be King George, now in London. He was reported to be cool to the regency proposal when it was first broached by Greek leaders.

Churchill told newsmen that when the leaders of the three great powers get together soon, the Greek question would be "one of the most important items on the agenda."

"We feel our course has been absolutely right," he asserted. "In August, in consultation with President Roosevelt, we agreed to bring in food and relief and help until things settled down. Premier Stalin was consulted and gave his consent to this course."

"At Caserta Britain was invited by the all-party government, including the Communists and the EAM (National Liberation party) to come to Greece."

The only difference of opinion in the conference concerned the date which the regency should be established, it was said by an authoritative source, with the majority urging that the plan be effected immediately.

After the regency decision had been reached, Archbishop Damaskos, the presiding officer, adjourned the conference.

While the peace terms were being discussed in the Grand Bretagne hotel in Athens, fresh fighting flared up in an area behind British headquarters as British paratroopers forged ahead with tanks and armored cars in an effort to clear the southern triangle leading into Omonia Square.

SPOUSE SLAYING  
CASE IN COURTDetroit Woman Admits  
Strangling Husband  
With Clothesline

Detroit, Dec. 27. (P)—A plea of innocent was entered today at the arraignment of Mrs. Nina Housden, charged with first degree murder in connection with the slaying of her husband, Charles, whose dismembered body was found Saturday by Toledo police.

Mrs. Housden, arraigned at Highland Park municipal court, was asked by Judge George L. Badler how she pleaded, and replied, "I think I am equally guilty with the mother and sister." When she did not explain the reference the judge said he could not accept a conditional guilty plea and entered a plea of innocent. Mrs. Housden is held without bail for examination.

Prosecutor Julian G. MacIntosh stated that Mrs. Housden confessed on Christmas Day that she had strangled her husband with a clothesline in their Highland Park apartment on December 19. They spent the evening of December 18 at a movie, MacIntosh said she told him, and later she strangled him while they were drinking at the apartment.

She was arrested in Toledo Saturday, after police found her standing vigil over the body in a garage. The body, brought to Detroit, was identified as that of Housden by his landlady, Mrs. Mary Roman, and by Mrs. Lila Vincent, who lives at the same address.

Nurses Run Short  
For Hospital Units

Washington, Dec. 27. (P)—Eleven Army hospital units are about to be sent overseas without any nurses because of the lag in nurse recruitment, Red Cross Chairman Basil O'Connor said today.

Appealing to Red Cross chapters throughout the country to aid in the drive for 10,000 additional nurses, O'Connor said:

"Rapidly mounting casualties make it imperative that these nurses be procured at once or many of our wounded will be deprived of essential nursing care."

December was the second lowest month in Army nurse recruitment since Pearl Harbor, O'Connor said, at a time when war casualties are the highest.

He urged Red Cross chapters in a telegram to "appeal to hospital officials, to physicians, to industry, to nurses' families and to the public in general to release every eligible nurse for the highest service she can give her country in time of war."

The Red Cross is the official agency for Army and Navy nurse recruitment.

MINDORO RAID  
OF NIPPONESE  
NAVY CRUSHEDTHREE DESTROYERS  
SUNK; DAMAGE  
IS LIGHT

(By The Associated Press)

A Japanese naval force shelled American positions on recently-invaded Mindoro island in the Philippines Tuesday but was repulsed, and a Nipponese air attack coordinated with the surface operation did little damage, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today (Thursday).

American planes and P-T boats sank three destroyers and scored hits on a battleship and a heavy cruiser, MacArthur said. The battleship, the cruiser and three remaining destroyers withdrew after "inaccurate and fruitless" shelling of the Mindoro coast area.

**Leyte Mopped Up**  
This presumably was the "violent reaction" which has been expected from Japan ever since navy-borne U. S. army forces landed on the island, 155 miles from Manila, on December 15 after a daring crossing of the Philippine Archipelago from Leyte island.

It also was the first time the Japanese navy had stuck out its neck to any appreciable length since the great battles of the Philippine area October 22-27, in which 14 of their major warships were sunk and more than a score damaged.

Air power met the attacking force offshore and spoiled the aim of its gunners.

The mop-up of isolated Japanese pockets on Leyte continued with another 827 enemy dead being counted.

**Manila Field Bombed**  
In other manifestations of U. S. aerial strength at Japan's front door, Liberators again bombed Clark Field, Manila, bringing down 13 Japanese interceptors, and a medium force of possibly 40 B-29's from Saipan yesterday attacked Tokyo for the fifth time in five weeks. They set afire the Musashima aircraft plant and hit other targets. One Superfort was lost.

Amid the increasing evidence that U. S. air power is steadily cutting the arteries of Japan's synthetic East Asia empire, the Nipponese war minister, Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama, told his people yesterday that their chances of victory depend upon the ramming attacks of their suicide fliers.

Almost at the same time Sugiyama was addressing the national diet, Superfortresses were bombing Tokyo and the Japanese claimed that two of the huge planes were brought down by defending fighters which deliberately crashed into them. The Japanese said 50 planes participated; that nine were shot down, five others probably, and 27 damaged. The Japanese admitted damage to industrial plants.

**Large Carrier Destroyed**  
U. S. planes and warships again bombed Iwo Jima, the small Japanese island half way between Tokyo and Saipan, hitting airstrips and coast defenses. Iwo Jima is one of the bases Japanese planes use in raiding the B-29 base at Saipan.

Destruction of a large Japanese

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Light Snow Hits  
Most Of Michigan

Detroit, Dec. 27. (P)—Snow blanketed most of the state late Wednesday, though it measured less than an inch in the majority of cities.

H. M. Wills, chief meteorologist at the U. S. weather bureau headquarters in Lansing, said the snow would slack off Thursday, with temperatures remaining above zero. He said there would be no strong wind to whip up drifts.

Detroit reported a high of 20 degrees Wednesday, while Flint registered 19. Grand Rapids, Saginaw, and Traverse City leveled off at 17. No sub-zero temperatures were reported for the day.

Confiscated Foods  
Sold At Jackson

Jackson, Mich., Dec. 27. (P)—Several thousand dollars worth of confiscated foodstuffs were sold at a sheriff's auction today, but the purchasers had to comply with OPA regulations by turning in ration points.

The bulk of the food, which was seized at the head headquarters of Kereacos Theodore Nicolopoulos at Concord, was purchased by restaurant operators. The sale was ordered by a court decree, after two former members of the cult filed suit against Nicolopoulos, charging they were defrauded of \$15,000.

Great German  
Lunge PinchedGallant Garrison at Bastogne Relieved;  
Americans Take Initiative, Make  
Gains of Five Miles a Day

BY EDWARD KENNEDY

Paris, Thursday, Dec. 28. (P)—German broadcasts acknowledged tremendous Allied counter-attacks on both flanks of the Nazi offensive into Belgium last night. The Luxembourg radio asserted the enemy salient had been narrowed to 20 miles and supreme Allied headquarters announced relief troops had reached the heroic American garrison at Bastogne.

The information, coming from assorted sources, could be pieced into a picture cheering to the Allies.

**Trapped Since Dec. 20**

The beleaguered doughboys at Bastogne, who had been encircled since Dec. 20 and gallantly smashing back every German attempt to wipe out their position since then, were reached by a hard-hitting column of American armor which drove up from the south.

The official announcement telling of the garrison's relief gave no details, not even the exact time, but field dispatches reporting events more than 24 hours old said the American forces were within five miles of the besieged Belgian town yesterday.

Dispatches from the Associated Press correspondents at the front described this thrust as "heavy American forces" and said they had "punched a deep salient into the German southern flank," and made gains of two to four miles.

The forces hammering at Field Marshal Von Rundstedt's armies from the south were not officially identified, but German broadcasts last night declared that "practically the whole Third American army" was battering at the southern sector.

**Back To Westwall**  
Berlin said some German forces in the frontier region of Luxembourg had withdrawn into pill-boxes at the approaches to the westwall (Siegfried line) and also told of powerful counter-attacks being thrown against Field Marshal Von Rundstedt from the north.

The German account said one of (Continued on Page Two)

Film Critics Pick  
"Going My Way" As  
Best 1944 Picture

New York, Dec. 27. (P)—The motion picture "Going My Way" was chosen today as the best motion picture of the year by New York film critics, who also voted it top honors for direction and the best male performance.

The 16 critics cast 11 votes on the first ballot for Barry Fitzgerald in his "Going My Way" role of an aged priest as the best male performance of the year.

Best directional work of the year, the critics held, was that of Leo McCarey, in "Going My Way." Tallulah Bankhead was chosen as the best female performer of the year for her work in "Lifeboat" with ten votes. Ingrid Bergman in "Gaslight" and Barbara Stanwick in "Double Indemnity" were second and third, respectively.

Lloyd George Will  
Not Seek Re-election

London, Dec. 27. (P)—Lloyd George, stormy figure in British politics for more than half a century and prime minister during the World War, announced today that he would not seek re-election to parliament.

The white-haired Welshman who first won a seat on the house of commons in 1890 and never lost an election, disclosed that he was retiring on the advice of his physician. He will hold his seat until the next general election, however. He will be 82 years old Jan. 17.

He has a son and a daughter in parliament, keeping the family name in the limelight. His son, Major Gwilym Lloyd George, is minister of fuel and power.

Three Oaks Church  
Destroyed By Fire

Three Oaks, Mich., Dec. 27. (P)—Only smoldering ruins were left of St. Mary's Catholic church today, which was razed by a fire starting from an overheated chimney near the altar.

Church property estimated at \$30,000, including Christmas altar hangings, statues, a new carpet, organ, and new kneeling benches, were burned in the fire, which was discovered at 10 p. m. Tuesday and could not be checked by firemen.

NAZI DEFENSE  
FORCES SPLIT  
AT BUDAPESTREDS MAKE SMASH  
ACROSS DANUBE,  
TRAP ENEMY

BY W. W. HERCHER

London, Dec. 27. (P)—Russian troops smashed across the Danube river's eastern branch north of Budapest, captured Szentendre Island and split the German-Hungarian forces defending the city, Moscow announced tonight.

Part of the enemy units have been driven into the mountainous and forested terrain in the Danube bend north of the capital and the others have been caught in a vise inside Budapest, the Soviet communique said, as the Russian forces on Szentendre Island established contact with their comrades on the Danube's west bank. Other Red army troops stormed into Budapest from the south, west and east, the communique reporting numerous new penetrations of the city limits, including capture of the Kelenfold district in the southwest.

**Four Suburbs Taken**  
In a strong, fresh thrust northwest of Budapest toward the Austrian border, Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Soviet forces forged up the Budapest-Vienna railroad and captured Felsogala, 24 miles west of the Hungarian capital, and took Sutlo and Nyergesfalu, both on the Danube where it turns westward.

Thus, the armies of Tolbukhin and Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky both had reached points approximately 96 miles from Vienna and 65 from Bratislava, Tolbukhin from the south and Malinovsky from the east.

The communique, however, was more detailed in listing successes in the storming of Budapest. It said Soviet assault units captured four fortified suburbs on the east bank of the river and two on the west bank, in addition to entering Kelenfold.

After the capture of Szentendre Island, which begins just above the city limits and extends 13 miles northward, the communique related, Malinovsky's forces got in communication with Tolbukhin's which had just broken into Szentendre, seven miles north of Budapest on the west bank of the Danube.

"Thus, in the course of offensive battles our troops have split the encircled enemy grouping in half," it said, "One half of which has been driven into the mountainous and forested terrain in the Danube bend north of Budapest, while the other half has been caught in a vise in the city of Budapest."

The splitting of the defenders will speed the Russian program of annihilation.

**Capital Doomed**  
The Germans and Hungarians caught north and northeast of the city are hemmed in by the broad Danube to the east and north on one side and by elements of Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian army on the other. The latter forces are deployed along a line circling from Szentendre to the south bank of the Danube west of the river's bend.

The Tolbukhin drive north and west of Budapest brought the capture of 14 towns and communities, the communique said.

More than 3,500 prisoners were taken by the second and Third Ukrainian armies in fighting on the Hungarian and Czechoslovak fronts Tuesday. Moscow announced, and 74 German tanks were knocked out on all sectors of the eastern front, bringing the enemy (Continued on Page Two)

Today's News  
Highlights

**CASUALTY LIST**—Pfc. Truman Besner of Manistquan killed in Belgium. Sgt. Glenn Hayes, husband of Gladstone girl, killed in Southwest Pacific. Pvt. Walter Anderson, Ensign, wounded in France. Page 7.

**BALLET**—Kenneth Owen, who learned tap dancing in Escanaba, is now with Bernice Holmes company. Page 5.

**RATIONING**—Latest changes explained by OPA officials. Page 3.

**CITY MANAGER**—George E. Bean will meet with Pontiac council Tuesday to discuss job offer. Page 2.

**APPROVED**—State board approves Manistquan postwar plans for water and sewerage system improvements. Page 7.



URGE CAUTION ON NEW YEARS

Seek To Hold Highway Deaths Down; Six Is 1944 Toll

Police and sheriff's officers of Delta county yesterday joined in urging motorists to "drive with caution" during the New Year holiday week-end in an effort to hold the 1944 highway death toll down. So far this year six persons have lost their lives in road accidents in Escanaba, Gladstone and the county.

Two of the six fatal accidents occurred in Escanaba, one was in Gladstone, and three were in the county. Last year the county's highway death toll totaled 11, of which five were in Escanaba and none in Gladstone.

There has been a general downward trend in traffic fatalities in Michigan compared with last year, according to a summary prepared by the Michigan state police. The downward trend began in May this year, was reversed during August, and then dropped again during the rest of the year.

Continuation of the downward trend during November and December should result in about the same number of traffic deaths this year as last year, when 992 persons were killed, the smallest number since 1923, the state police reported.

Fast driving, carelessness and mixing liquor with gasoline continued to be the chief accident causes, officers pointed out. Local police and sheriff's officers again directed attention of holiday drivers to the old rule: "If you drink, don't drive; if you drive, don't drink."

NAZI DEFENSE FORCES SPLIT AT BUDAPEST

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my's tank losses there in the last six days to 617.

With Budapest completely surrounded and its garrison split, the once beautiful city on the Danube, shaken by bombs and shell-fire from the Russians and the dynamite of German demolition squads, seemed destined to fall into Soviet hands shortly.

Purple Heart Is Awarded Escanaba Boy Posthumously

Mr. and Mrs. George LaCombe, 331 South Tenth street, have received the Purple Heart, awarded posthumously to their son, S 2/c Donald Joseph LaCombe, who has been presumed dead by the U. S. Navy as of Sept. 12, a year and day after his ship, the USS Rowan, was sunk in the Tyrrhenian sea.

The award was made to Seaman LaCombe "for military merit and wounds received in action resulting in his death." LaCombe was listed as missing in action for a year following the torpedoing of his vessel, after which he was presumed to be dead.

The medal was received by his parents on Christmas day.

State Revenue Men Here To Meet With U. P. Field Workers

Louis M. Nims, commissioner of revenue, of the Michigan Department of Revenue, and members of his staff are in Escanaba conducting a two day meeting with upper peninsula members of the field staff of the department.

The meeting, which opened on Wednesday in the Delta hotel, is being attended by the 11 upper peninsula field representatives and their district manager, Frank Abelman, Marquette.

Accompanying Commissioner Nims are James E. Mogan, deputy commissioner, William Schram, field supervisor and Harold B. Fuller, assistant supervisor of the field division of the department at Lansing.

Two Local Soldiers Wounded In Action

Washington Dec. 27, (AP)—Names of 125 Michigan soldiers were included by the War Department today in an announcement of 2,465 United States soldiers wounded in action in the European area. In each case next of kin have been notified and have been kept informed by the War Department of any change of status.

The Michigan wounded included:

Pvt. Albert M. Anderson, Mrs. Lena Anderson, mother, 1008 North 16th St., Escanaba. Pfc. Edward Lark, Mrs. Rita B. Lark, wife, 330 North 11th St., Escanaba.

"Rented the first day" said Smith. Try a For Rent Ad today.



SMORGASBORD — Employees of the Delta Hardware company were guests of the management at a smorgasbord party held at the Ludington hotel recently. Above is a group of the employees, who were photographed as they lined up around the table to obtain the various food items.

Munising News

RAY E. PERAMAKI DIES

Ray E. Peramaki, 33, of Seney, Mich., died December 25 at 1 a. m. in Marquette as the result of a heart attack. He had been in ill health for the past few months.

He was born April 5, 1911 in Ishpeming. He had resided in Seney for the past three years. He is survived by his wife, Bertha; one son, Michael; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Peramaki; one sister, Miss Elsie Peramaki of Detroit and one brother, Bennie of the U. S. army in Oklahoma.

The funeral will be held Thursday, December 28 at 1 p. m. Services will be conducted by Rev. Hilma of Marquette in the Beaupre and Madison funeral home. Escorts will be Elio Wanska, Unto Makela, C. S. Locke, Carl Makel, Ernest Touvey and Gerard Heinz.

He leaves many friends in Munising, and was married to the former Bertha Mattson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Mattson.

SEAL SALE REPORT

Munising township schools and Sacred Heart school have completed their tuberculosis seal sale, and the sale this year is well in advance of that for previous years. The record of the last three years is as follows:

1942	\$43.21
1943	\$59.31
1944	\$87.71

The response to the sale this year was very gratifying.

MUNISING BRIEFS

Miss Pat and Jean Miller of Lansing are spending a week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doucette.

Benjamin Zastrow has returned home from Wausau, Wis., where he spent Christmas with his parents.

Miss Lynn and Beth Vendien of Owosso, Mich., are here for the holidays visiting their mother.

Jerome Beuparlant has returned home from Detroit to reside with his mother after being employed there the past few months.

Marcus Q. Molloy spent Christmas with his family in Ishpeming. Cadet Nurse Jean Wrona is spending a few days leave with her father and relatives over the holidays.

Orton Davis and Clayton Forgette, who are employed in Detroit, are here for over the holidays.

Clarence Beaudry of Detroit arrived home Saturday to spend Christmas with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester LaCombe of Detroit are here for over the holidays visiting relatives in Trenary and Munising.

Jack Brown of Whitefish Point spent Christmas here at the home of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Courters.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Passinault of

Great German Lunge Pinched

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Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's crack British divisions along with "still another American division withdrawn from the Aachen" were making "particularly grim counter-attacks in the north."

At the same time these reports of Allied attempts to choke the neck of the German offensive were coming from enemy sources, the Allied-controlled Luxembourg radio said "Von Rundstedt's supply funnel through Belgium has been narrowed to less than 20 miles in width tonight." This mile-age coincides with the distance from Bastogne northward to last reported Allied positions near Lierneux.

Premier Hubert Pierlot told the Belgian parliament he had word from "the highest Allied authority that the situation at the front is well in hand," the Brussels radio said.

Flank Sags

The drive to Bastogne apparently represented an important break in German lines on the southern side of the enemy wedge. The gains were made over rough terrain in the woods almost due west of Echternach and American successes on this front were spread over several points.

Associated Press Correspondent Wes Gallagher said Von Rundstedt's entire southern flank appeared to be sagging and added "unless he can quickly halt the American advance Von Rundstedt's Belgian bulge is in a critical condition."

The armored column which smashed into Bastogne drove through Remi - Champagne on a back road five miles southwest of Bastogne and it was presumably in this area that the Germans' southern lines were opened. Eschdorf, Bunnal, Inzendorf and Lingel—villages southeast of Bastogne—were occupied by the Americans, who also were mopping up in Berdorf, three miles northwest of Echternach, and had encircled Berdorf.

The westernmost spearheads of the German drive into Belgium, which carried the enemy to within four miles of the Meuse River, still were being held, according to the latest available information, but a little to the northeast of this

Peoria, Ill., are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carefelle.

Miss Alice Mary Scholtes of White Cloud, Mich., and brother, John, of Detroit are visiting their mother over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson of Detroit are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson.

Pat Gatiss and Sue Scholtes, Waves, are here over the holidays visiting relatives.

Miss Fred Egan has moved here to reside with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mayotte, while her husband is in service.

T 4 Melvin Krouth Gets Citation For Heroism At Guam

September 29 (Delayed)—Before a battalion formation Technician Fourth Grade Melvin F. Krouth today received from Lt. Col. Stokes, Commander, of a Tank Battalion, a Bronze Star Medal for "heroic achievement" during the recent military operations on Guam. The award of the Bronze Star Medal is by direction of the President and was awarded by Maj. Gen. Bruce, Commanding General, 77th Infantry Division.

The General Orders publishing the awards reads: "For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Barrigada on the Island of Guam, M. I., 2 August 1944. As a light tank driver he was engaged in a reconnaissance mission when his tank stalled due to mechanical failure, while approximately two miles behind enemy lines. This point on the road was flanked by thick jungle growth concealing enemy troops who immediately opened fire on the tank with rifles and machine guns. Disregarding the danger, he dismounted from the stalled vehicle and assisted his tank commander and an officer to attach the tow cable to another tank, enabling the evacuation of the tank and crew to friendly territory. His courage and disregard for his personal safety were an inspiration to the men of his company."

Prior to the Barrigada engagement Technician Krouth was in action during the attack on the Orate Peninsula when a vital air strip was secured. For the Tank Battalion's part in the Orate engagement the following is a portion of a commendation received from Maj. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., commander of the First Marine Provisional Brigade:

"I particularly wish to compliment the units of this Tank Battalion for their actions to support of the Marines during the final phases of the operation. Their cooperation with the Brigade Tank Companies in close support of the Infantry on the afternoon of July 28 helped to break the enemies final defensive position."

Tech. Fourth Grade Krouth, 25, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Krouth of Perkins, Mich. He was graduated from the Perkins high school, class of 1936. Since spring 1944 he has been overseas in the Central Pacific theatre.

Inducted into the Army January 14, 1942 Krouth received his basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, after which he was assigned to the 4th Armored Division at Pine Camp, New York. He served with that unit in New York, Tennessee, California and Texas, transferring to Tank battalion when that unit was activated at Camp Bowie, Texas, September 1943. Before being sent to the Central Pacific theatre this unit was stationed at Camp Pickett, Va., and received amphibious training at Camp Bradford, Va.

MINDORO RAID OF NIPPONESE NAVY CRUSHED

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aircraft carrier, six warships and 20 other vessels by American submarines was reported by the U. S. Navy in a communique on undersea operations in the Pacific. This brought to 1,090 the number of Japanese ships sunk, probably sunk or damaged since Pearl Harbor.

Navy Secretary Forrestal said U. S. submarines alone had accounted for 3,500,000 tons of Japanese shipping. He added it was "with true regret that we are unable to tell" the full story of undersea activities because of the necessity of keeping information from the enemy.

Another significant blow against Japan was a raid Tuesday by U. S. Mustang fighters of the 14th Air Force on Tsinan, Japanese-occupied Shantung province in North China. A 14th Air Force communique said the Mustangs were based in North China, giving rise to speculation that some agreement had been reached with the Communists of North China to permit operations from their territory.

KILLED ON CROSSING

Albion, Dec. 27 (AP)—Alexander Krzak, 47, was killed by the New York Central westbound Mercury Wednesday afternoon when autos in front of him forced him to stop on the Superior street crossing after an eastbound freight had passed.

One-fifth of the population of Liberia is composed of American Negroes or their descendants.

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order plant, its near-by retail store and warehouse. The number of workers affected was estimated by him as 5,000 in the mail order house, 500 in the warehouse, and 250 in the retail store.

Levy said the union took the action to force company compliance with war labor board directives providing wage increases and maintenance of membership which union members claim are being violated.

The local union struck last April 12 for the same announced objectives and the dispute resulted in government seizure of the Chicago properties April 26 and the forcible ejection of Ward's board chairman, Sewell Avery, when he refused to turn over company records to government officials the next day.

Army troops took possession of the plant but were withdrawn April 28 and the government relinquished control on May 9 when the CIO won a collective bargaining vote. Avery had maintained that the union did not represent a majority of the workers.

In a statement tonight Levy said CIO members would strike "until they obtained a union contract from Sewell Avery himself or by such action as the government of the United States undertakes to obtain compliance with the directive orders of the war labor board. \* \* \*

DECISION DUE TONIGHT

Washington, Dec. 27 (AP)—Government seizure of Montgomery Ward & Co.'s properties in seven cities where it has failed to comply with war labor board directives is expected by tomorrow night.

This includes four stores in Detroit where the CIO Retail Employees Union has been on strike since Dec. 9 in an effort to force the company to put the directives into effect. Other properties are in Chicago, St. Paul, Portland, Ore., San Rafael, Calif., and Jamaica, N. Y.

Adding pressure on the government for swift action are a threatened epidemic of strikes at Ward stores, demonstrations at some, and suggestions from CIO leaders that delay might influence a referendum the CIO United Automobile Workers Union has scheduled on the question whether to revoke its no-strike pledge.

Hospital

The condition of S. E. Dunn, who is receiving treatment at St. Francis hospital, is greatly improved, and it is expected that he will be able to leave the hospital by the first of the week.

Tokyo Told Suicide Combat Fliers Will Win War For Japan

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Japan's war and navy ministers told the Diet today that "ramming" (suicide) tactics of their combat fliers would win the war and called upon the people at home to emulate the "sacrificial spirit."

The ministers, Field Marshal Gen. Sugiyama and Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, in their reports to the 86th session of the Diet spoke in glowing terms of the exploits of the Kamikaze special attack corps, fliers who have dedicated themselves to crash dive their planes into enemy ships and installations.

COLLISION FATAL

Monroe, Mich., Dec. 27. (AP)—Vincent Valade, 39, of Dearborn died today at Mercy hospital of injuries received in a three car collision Christmas night on Telegraph Road, Coroner Edward W. Rupp said.

BEAN CONSIDERS PONTIAC OFFER

Escanaba City Manager Meets With Pontiac Council Tuesday

Escanaba City Manager George E. Bean, who Tuesday night was invited by the Pontiac city commission to serve as Pontiac city manager at an \$8,000 annual salary, yesterday said that his decision will be made after a meeting with the Pontiac commission.

Pontiac Mayor Arthur J. Law advised Bean by telephone of the commission's action and asked him to meet with the commission Tuesday night, Jan. 2.

"I told Mayor Law that I would be there, and that if conditions there are in accordance with our earlier conversations I will accept the position," Bean said yesterday.

The Pontiac commission's offer to Bean followed the dismissal of City Manager J. M. Mudie, who had served less than a year. Bean has been city manager here since August, 1936.

Pontiac has a population of approximately 70,000 and the assessed value of property in the city is more than 92 million dollars. The tax rate for the city is \$22.85 per \$1,000 valuation. While Pontiac is largely industrial, the city does not own its own utilities.

Will Naturalize 15 Here Tuesday

It is expected that at least 15 persons from Delta county will be admitted to citizenship here next Tuesday, Jan. 2, following naturalization hearings before Judge Frank A. Bell in circuit court.

Scheduled for naturalization are: Ingrid Johanna Johnson, Rangfred Sviland Meeth, Albert Olsson, Karl Sjoberg, Albertine Lippert, William Burnell, Dorina LaCasse, John Anderson, Peter Heresi-menko, John Rossman, Hildur Strom, Anpie LaCasse John Gasperich, Alvina Bergroth and Nick Chernick.

Also scheduled for next week are naturalization hearings to be conducted at the courthouse Jan. 3 to 5 by Examiner R. W. Gearing of Sault Ste. Marie. Slated to appear are: William F. Krause, Anna Johnson, William J. R. Collins, Alfred A. Standmeyer and Frank Vogel.

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## STRIKES IRK MEN OVERSEAS

G. I. Joe Believes Work Stoppages Tend To Prolong War

Strikes of defense plant workers, who already are making fabulous wages, and conduct of civilians generally tends to slow up the war effort, are sources of bitter irritation to service men overseas, is the information brought back from the war by Sgt. Ragnar Beck, who is enjoying a 30 day "TP" furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Beck, 1117 Sheridan road.

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Hoarding, rationing, black markets and various forms of illegal skulduggery allegedly practiced by many civilians does not upset the man overseas too much, because they have contact with similar conditions over there. Human nature being what it is, the soldiers reason that people are the same the world over, and they are not too much concerned about the other fellows efforts to get along.

But when events occur which might result in prolonging the war, the G. I. gets plenty burned up. The boys over there are not engaging in a picnic, says Sgt. Beck, and while they endure personal hardship and inconvenience without complaint, their main interest in life is to get the affair finished and get back home.

Sgt. Beck had been on overseas duty for 22 months, and was attached to the army pictorial service of the signal corps in North Africa. He was attached to a unit which processed V-mail letters.

Letters from soldiers are photographed on 16 MM film, with about 1000 letters on a 100 foot roll of film. Upon arrival in this country the films are forwarded to one of several processing stations, where they are "blown up" and printed on regular size V-mail stationery.

The entire process is done by machinery, and the letters required to expose a standard 100 foot roll of film can be photographed in about a half hour.

Following his furlough, Sgt. Beck will report at Fort Sheridan for assignment. He entered the service July 21, 1942, and received his basic training at Camp Robinson, Ark. To qualify for his work in the V-mail unit, he took a photography training course in New York.

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## Nazi Counter-Offensive Victory On Home Front

Curt Riess, noted author and analyst, is on assignment in Europe as international correspondent for NEA and Escanaba Daily Press. Author of such best-sellers as "The Nazis Go Underground" and "Total Espionage," Riess is recognized as an authority on German internal affairs.

**BY CURT RIESS**  
Copyright 1944 by NEA Service London—Whenever and wherever von Rundstedt is stopped, Germany has achieved a major victory, in this correspondent's opinion.

The military success may be debatable. The infinitely more important success is on the German home front.

Without the von Rundstedt all-out attack, German morale might have broken down during these very Christmas days.

How long will this shot in the arm postpone the crisis? According to neutral eye-witness reports and intelligence issuing from Germany, the excitement and joy about "the Christmas offensive" is enormous.

Newspapers are sold out in minutes. People roam the streets, embrace each other and weep for joy.

There are countless rumors. The most important is concerning the role of Hitler in the offensive. Nazi propaganda plays up this role. Their radio says: "Where is the Fuehrer? Now we know. He prepared this campaign."

There are rumors about other offensives to start soon, and about new V weapons. Many believe that German victory and the end of the war are around the corner.

This spontaneous and somewhat exaggerated response shows how much the Germans needed something to give them new hope. The way Goebbels plays and overplays the importance of the offensive shows that he too knows. If you read and listen to Goebbels' propaganda as I did for several days, you almost get the impression that the attack was mainly for reasons of German morale, and on the order of Goebbels.

For weeks Goebbels has dreaded the approaching Christmas. This holiday is celebrated in Germany more sentimentally than in other countries. The people reflect have memories and compare the past and present.

During World War I masses of Germans got additional rations. There was additional coffee, chocolate and schnapps. Furthermore, there were ingredients for Christmas cake, namely flour, fat and sugar. This time instead there is a cut of the bread ration, and a threat to cut the sugar ration.

**No Gift**  
Finally, evidently after the Propaganda Ministry became nervous about a morale collapse around Christmas, the Food Ministry promised as a Christmas gift two eggs and half a pound of meat per person. But according to excellent sources only part of the population got this foodstuff which, incidentally, is no gift, but must be paid for.

Christmas promised to become a dreary and hopeless affair for the Germans. There were no trees, since the transport of trees was forbidden by the Ministry of Economy. There were no flowers, because the flower shops have been

closed since the July total mobilization. There were no toys, but the Voelkischer Beobachter advised parents to make some from "wood splinters, feathers fallen from old cushions or pictures cut out from magazines." No wine and beer. No Christmas traveling, not even business trips between December 22 and 26. All formerly issued permits were cancelled and high penalties threatened those faking business in order to spend Christmas with the family.

All this, plus the constant military reverses and the bombing of Germany, was bound to make Christmas a danger point for German morale and the psychological moment for sporadic outbursts of discontent.

Goebbels knew that. Therefore, for weeks he conducted a quiet but determined campaign to prove to the Germans that the war was not lost and also that Germany really never has wanted the war. His last broadcasts were almost pacifist. Germany wants nothing more than to live peacefully with her neighbors. Goebbels now says the occupied countries were never considered as anything but pawns for a good and just peace.

A few days ago the Voelkischer Beobachter said, "We shall be satisfied when peace for Germany means air for her to breathe, self esteem and equal footing with others." Such pacifist phrases were wrongly regarded by the Allies as peace overtures. A more correct evaluation, in my opinion, is to regard them as meant for home consumption. The Germans must be prevented from reflecting that the war was brought on by the Nazis.

**Playing With Fire**

Three days before the von Rundstedt attack Goebbels wrote: "In the first World War, at the precise moment when the Reich was making ready to capitulate, the British, as subsequently transpired, were about to seek a compromise peace. Who is there to guarantee that Britain is not doing the same today? It is in accordance with this that we must act."

This was the tip-off. Naturally Goebbels knows that Britain is by no means ready to seek a compromise. Again this is for home consumption. The Germans are made to think that with the Allies quarreling anyhow about Greece, etc., with London "in ruins by V-bombs," a determined von Rundstedt offensive will bring Britain or others to seek for a compromise peace.

Doubtless this will be the Nazi propaganda line for the near future. Doubtless Goebbels has already succeeded in convincing many Germans. Thus the danger point of Christmas will pass. But Goebbels is playing with fire. According to aforementioned sources, many Germans believe that victory is around the corner. To warn: "Have no illusions. We Already the Nazi radio is forced won't be in Paris tomorrow."

Once the Germans realize that however successful the von Rundstedt offensive it cannot bring decision but only serves to drag out the war, the disappointment will be enormous. This will be another even more critical danger point to German morale. It is my opinion that the first riots inside Germany may be expected late in January, perhaps earlier.

### Canadian Penny Stamps Valuable

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### We Need Him Here

PONTIAC is looking for a city manager and has offered the position to George E. Bean of Escanaba, whose achievements in the field of municipal administration have received wide attention and have brought him a number of attractive offers from larger cities in the past few years.

Mr. Bean declined previous offers, mostly because he was in the midst of much unfinished work in which he was intensely interested. He wanted to finish the jobs. Some of the tasks were completed, but the outbreak of war temporarily shunted others aside.

During the past eight years, City Manager Bean has furnished a dynamic leadership in municipal and other community affairs. New efficient methods have been installed in our public utilities, enabling the city to place its finances on a pay-as-you-go basis and build up a reserve for postwar construction. Streets have been improved, new lighting installed, a municipal dock built, a modern well system of water supply established, and a supervised recreational department put into operation. A central heating plant also was added to the list of city-owned utilities, one that promises to greatly improve the standard of living in this community if Escanaba can retain the leadership it has enjoyed in the past.

For the first time in Escanaba's history, the Escanaba Chamber of Commerce and the city administration joined hands a couple years ago in a far-reaching industrial expansion program, which brought in new industries that will furnish jobs for returning war veterans and workers. This program was largely successful because the city was able to finance the acquisition of buildings needed for industrial purposes. City Manager Bean played no small part in this all-important effort.

Besides doing the regular municipal administrative work, Mr. Bean is the general manager of one small and three public utilities. If these utilities were privately owned, he would receive a salary much larger than what he is paid as city manager here. If the city of Pontiac can afford to pay more for his services, most certainly Escanaba can.

However, we do not believe that Mr. Bean is as much interested in the monetary angle as he is in the opportunity to meet new challenges and record new achievements in his professional field. The Press feels, however, there is still much work for him to do in Escanaba and that he can contribute as much here toward the advancement of municipal government throughout the country.

There's a big postwar job to be done in Escanaba. This city was one of the hardest hit communities during the depression, and like other Upper Peninsula cities faces some knotty economic problems when peace returns. A good start has been made toward bringing in new industries, lowering utility rates and effecting other measures to raise the standard of living. We need City Manager Bean right here to continue the job.

This is our vote of confidence in his leadership. We hope the Escanaba city council and other citizens will prevail upon him to remain in Escanaba, a community that has tremendous possibilities for interesting and comfortable living for all of us, provided we do the things that require courage, vision and the willingness to act. To achieve these ends we need virile, capable leadership.

### It's A Long Fight

OPTIMISTIC predictions that the war in Europe would end by Christmas are now to be found groundless, and now there are fears being expressed in official quarters that victory over Germany will not come until late in 1945 or even 1946.

It means that we must buckle down to business. War workers will have to stay on the job, and we shall have to resign ourselves to the fact that this war is a serious matter. It is not a question of whether we at home are not going to get enough gasoline for a pleasure trip to Milwaukee or an extra pound of butter for next Saturday night's bridge party.

The German military machine is much stronger than we thought it would be after undergoing the savage assaults on the Russian front and the beaches of Normandy. And after the defeat of the Nazis, we face a long struggle with the Japs, who are disposed to die rather than be captured. In fighting a foe of this temperament it is to be expected that we also will suffer heavy casualties.

We must get in and fight, and this means all of us.

### It's Bunyan, Not Bunyon

NEWS that the U. S. Army authorities had intended to name the world's largest floating derrick the "Paul Bunyon" has deeply stirred north country lumberjacks, who are passionately devoted to

having everything right and proper.

Just who decided on 'Bunyon' is unknown, but in any event he was clearly in the wrong, as every qualified lumberjack knows. Many protests have resulted in righting the name of the big derrick, which will be stationed at the ship locks in Sault Ste. Marie. This will be good news to many a Paul Bunyan admirer who would have been scandalized beyond measure if his hero's moniker had been mangled.

Many people have wondered whether the word "St. Marys," appearing on ship canal literature and elsewhere at Sault Ste. Marie, is not misspelled or misprinted. The answer is that this is an arbitrary spelling not found in any dictionary. Commonly accepted usage would be "St. Mary's Falls Canal," but for some reason the possessive apostrophe has been officially dropped by the authorities. There is no word of objection to the change, but there's a difference when the great Paul Bunyan is involved.

Speaking of Paul, recent exhaustive research is said to have unearthed good evidence that the great man's ancestors came from Russia where, under another name, he is featured in the Byliny Tales, a book of legends on the order of our "Hawatha." Some years ago the Bureau News, often called the Paul Bunyan magazine, edited by Stanley D. Newton of Sault Ste. Marie, established a strong Upper Peninsula background for Paul Bunyan. The fact remains, however, that Paul was a world citizen, with counterparts even in Australia, China and the high Andes. He remains the glory and the justification of every lumberjack and woodsman the world over.

### Must Still Salvage

IT'S A LOT of trouble to bundle up old newspapers and save old rags. It's bothersome to have to remember to pour waste witchens fats into a container. It's easy just to toss away tin cans and forget them.

It's also a lot of trouble to fight a war. But Japs and Germans must be shot, and to do that job our fighting men are going to need more and more supplies. A lot of supply lines begin right at home in the kitchen. And most of the things that housewives have been salvaging are needed now as much as ever, some of them more so.

Sometimes it is difficult to remember that a little bit more war-required waste from every American kitchen will get more supplies to the fronts faster, save lives, and end the war a little sooner. But it's true. So keep 'em rolling.

## Other Editorial Comments

### TWO KINDS OF AMERICANS (Milwaukee Journal)

May we quote two paragraphs from yesterday's Journal? The first is from a battle front dispatch about the fighting in Belgium—about a spot where German armor was cutting through:

"Another lieutenant was manning a mortar and firing it himself. Soon he was firing at an 88 degree angle, meaning that his shells fell almost at his own feet. His last act was to make a telephone call for our artillery to fire at his own position. American guns killed him—but saved the position."

The other paragraph is from the news article about the strike of 800 workers in vital war production at Globe Steel Tube—about those men who walked out in a dispute over their Christmas bonus—walked out before there was even time to discuss the difficulty:

"Angry over the cut, one union member said that 80 per cent of the men 'are going to cash war bonds' because they had been counting on a larger bonus. Another said he would have to return the fur coat he had purchased for his wife for Christmas."

It is hard to believe that these are persons from the same nation at the same moment—one of the most serious moments in our history.

## Take My Word For it . . . Frank Colby

### CURIOS FROM A WORDSMAN'S CABINET

The word "hangnail" is a queer corruption of the correct word agnail, which comes from the Anglo-Saxon angnaegil, "painful nail."

It's hard to believe that the words stationary and stationery are basically one and the same. Both come from the Latin stationarius, "remaining in the same place, or station." Originally, the word stationer designated a bookseller who had a station or stall in a market place. Later, when booksellers added writing materials to their stocks, the word stationery came into use and lost all association with books except blank books used in keeping records.

The second "n" in bridegroom got into the word erroneously, for the Middle English spelling was "bridegome," which itself was a corruption of the Anglo-Saxon brydguma, meaning "bride-man." And the word bridal is a telescoped form of bride-ale, a word descriptive of feasting and the drinking of ale at a wedding celebration.

The words adder (a kind of snake) and newt (a salamander) were originally spelled "nadder" and "ewt." Nadder lost its "n" because "a nadder" was mistaken for "an adder." Conversely, ewt fell heir to an initial "n" because "an wt" was taken to be a "newt."

The word sovereign grew an excrescent and erroneous "g" because of the fact that a sovereign "reigns." The original Anglo-Saxon spelling was "soverain," from the Old French souverain, from the Latin superanus, "chief." At no time, correctly speaking, has there been any connection

## World Events Analyzed

BY MARQUIS CHILDS

Washington—Two important steps—one in the form of an official "request," the other already taken—by top military planners give a kind of pre-view of the year to come. They are strangely reminiscent



Childs

of the period shortly before Pearl Harbor, when those who saw the coming storm were trying to prepare the nation for war.

Under the stern insistence of that Cromwellian figure, under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, all race tracks operating this winter will probably be closed within the next fortnight. The decision is not yet officially final, but already most of the major tracks have agreed to closings by Jan. 3. The likelihood is that racing will be shut down tight for the duration.

The big boys in the horse racing industry tried their best to prevent this from happening. They argued that since the summer tracks were allowed to operate, it was only fair to give the winter operators in Florida and California an inning. They had hoped the ban could be postponed until the winter season ended.

—FACES TRANSPORT CRISIS—

Patterson's hand has been strengthened, of course, by the bad war news from Europe. Frequent criticism has been aimed at the racing industry for absorbing manpower and for attracting motorists who use gas and tires to go to the tracks. News photographers have shown huge parking lots adjoining popular tracks crowded with cars.

In 1945 the nation faces a major transportation crisis, and this is the reason for the second step. War planners are about to approve construction of new tire fabricating plants to cost \$100,000,000. No substantial production can be expected from these plants until toward the end of the coming year.

There is plenty of synthetic rubber, thanks to the Baruch-Conant-Compton program. But when it comes to fabricated tires, the pinch is acute.

This is especially true of heavy truck tires. The demand for trucks and tires to supply the western front has exceeded all estimates. The rail distribution system had been shattered to an extent far greater than was foreseen.

Naturally, military demands come first. The reserves for essential uses here at home have been cut into deeply. Delivery of essential commodities may be reduced more drastically than at any time during the war.

—MANY CARS LEAVING ROAD—

Getting war workers to their jobs is another phase of the problem. This is related to the rate at which cars are wearing out. According to the office of defense transportation, about 150,000 cars a month are going off the road. While many experts in the field think this is too large a figure, the fact remains that with each succeeding month the 24,000,000 cars still in service are growing more decrepit and the rate of demise is growing larger.

V-E day was to bring a partial resumption of the manufacture of automobiles. But those days in September and October, when manufacturers came to Washington to agree on a plan, seem a long way off. We were under the illusion then that a new car was just around the corner.

The threat to transportation on the highways is related to the tremendous handicap the railroads are working under. For three years the nation's railways have taken a beating, carrying the greatest burden of freight and passengers in their history with a minimum of maintenance and almost no replacements.

Now the end is definitely in sight. How much longer the railroads will be able to go on without substantial assistance in the way of new equipment is a question that troubles many people. One of them is J. Monroe Johnson, head of ODT, who will weep on any government shoulder about the transportation crisis ahead.

This does not add up to the kind of year that figures largely in the rosy dreams of three months back. It should sober those who seem to have been intent chiefly on riding the boom that has come out of the war.



Gracie Allen Says.

Well, it certainly was a nice Christmas. I was reading where the President's dog, Fala, received almost as many gifts as Mr. Roosevelt. Goodness, where's he going to bury all of them? Fala's probably got as much digging to do at the White House as the new Republican members of Congress.

And I certainly hope someone remembered Canute, the great Dane belonging to Mr. Dewey. The poor thing got so many gifts last year when the governor's presidential boom was beginning! That's one Dane who's melancholy—probably almost as much so as the Republican national committee.

Mother just called to thank me for her gift: I was going to get her a negligee to wear so she'd look good to papa, but George had me get her a war bond instead. I did, but it's certainly going to leave a lot of mama exposed.

between the noun sovereign and the verb reign.

How's your punctuation? Do commas, semicolons, and quotation marks baffle you? For a free copy of my newly revised pamphlet of simple rules based on latest authority, send a stamped (3c), self-addressed envelope to Frank Colby, in care of this paper. Ask for PUNCTUATION pamphlet.

## Seems to Be a Fertile Breeding Place



## Good Morning!

By The Bugler

SKATING RINK—The city of Escanaba has been able to establish skating rinks this year earlier than usual because of the cold weather, which "made ice" faster than in many winters past. This has been welcomed by the kids who have a chance to do some skating during their holiday vacation. Joe Holmes and his city crew in charge of rink construction are pleased, too, that the weather has made it possible to start the skating season early.



Donathan

But it is not generally known that the kids have been skating on one rink in town for about a month. John E. Nystrom of 1123 Lake Shore Drive "built" the rink on the bay shore back of his home and opened it to the kids of the neighborhood, who have been enjoying his generosity—and showing their appreciation in their glowing cheeks and sparkling eyes.

Last summer and fall Nystrom cleared the reeds from the shallow water over an area about 146 feet long and 60 feet wide. When freezing weather came the ice formed quickly on the still water and skating started about a month ago. Now the water is frozen almost to the bottom. Because of the shallowness of the water there was no danger at the rink at any time.

SPEEDY MAILING—There are few persons who know that because a family of mice was raised in a mail sack back in the winter of 1856, the U. S. Post Office Department speeded up its lagging mail service and today provides the best and fastest service of its kind in any country in the world.

Back in the winter of 1856 Postmaster Daniel Pitman at Ontonagon opened a mail sack and found, besides the mail, sleek, well-kept family of mice. Much of the first class mail had been chewed into fragments by the parent mice to provide a warm nest for their babies in the mail sack. Postmaster Pitman rightly decided that something should be done to speed up the service. His indignant letters to the assistant postmaster at Chicago brought results and mail was given a priority in transportation even in those days, when mail to the Copper Country had to be carried from Green Bay by dog team.

In 1864 the Chicago & North Western Railway put on its first mail coach and began sorting the mail while it was in transit. Then came faster railway service, movement of mail by trucks, and then airplanes. Today, in the greatest war in history, the volume of our mail, both military and civilian, has exceeded any dream that Postmaster Pitman may have dreamed. Yet the mail is handled quicker from the far Pacific isles to Ontonagon than it was in the days when mice raised a family in a mail sack traveling between Green Bay and Ontonagon.

PRE-CHRISTMAS RIDE—Youngsters wonder how Santa Claus can, with his sleigh and reindeer, fly through the air like a superman and come down for a perfect three-point landing. Adults, however, don't believe in supermen, but they try to emulate Santa Claus in his flying rides in an open sleigh.

However, there was the incident one day last week when two Escanaba gentlemen had a fast open-air ride after doing a good deed.

The owner of a car parked on Ludington street couldn't get his motor started and a friend said that he would assist by giving him a push with his car. In the push process, however, the bumpers became entangled, and two other gentlemen said that they would stand on the bumper of the first car to disengage them. The

## INTO THE PAST

10 Years Ago—1934

Manistique—Members of the Manistique Production Credit association will assemble Jan. 19 in the city hall in Escanaba for the association's first annual meeting. This is one of 16 similar associations organized by farmers in this state under the Farm Credit administration for the purpose of affording themselves a source of funds for putting in crops, to purchase livestock, equipment, supplies, etc. and for other general farm purposes.

Five-minute passenger service between Chicago and St. Paul became a reality yesterday when the "400" a new deluxe air conditioned C. & N. W. railway train made its debut.

20 Years Ago—1924

Gladstone—Gladstone's ice rink will be in condition for skating within a few days if the favorable weather of the last few days continues. Announcement of the opening will be made by Manager Albert Gagnon as soon as the rink is ready.

Manistique—In keeping with their annual custom, the Manistique Eastern Star chapter will entertain at a Christmas party for the children of the local Masons and Eastern Star members Tuesday afternoon. The plan of forgoing years in having the older children entertained in the evening will not be carried out this year.

25 Years Ago—1919

City Assessor C. G. Swan explained yesterday that a misapprehension exists as to the cause for what is termed the high city taxes in Escanaba. The city taxes are only \$1.50 per thousand higher than they were last year. That fact is due to war conditions, coupled with the fact that the state, county and school bodies have levied on us for more than ever before and we have increased the rate from 1 1/2 to 3 mills for the purpose of taking care of the sinking fund for the retirement of waterworks bonds.

driver of the first car, who by this time had his motor started, was to drive ahead slowly and then stop.

Misunderstanding the instructions, the driver started up and kept right on going—with the two Good Samaritans clinging precariously on his back bumper! They shouted and hammered to no avail. The car gathered speed. Faster and faster they went. One of the men tumbled off, suffering sundry minor injuries, but the other stuck until the car slowed again and he could escape shaken but unharmed.

COMING BACK—Recently this column presented the story of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, author of many beautiful verses, and generally regarded as America's "poet of the people." That brought from an aide a poem of Longfellow's "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" which is a favorite Christmas carol, and was printed Sunday.

Then Sunday night three verses of that carol were sung on the "Hour of Charm" radio program; and Monday night a lady who did not know her Longfellow missed winning \$900 in war bonds in Toledo because she could not identify Longfellow as the author of that poem in a quiz program.

Further, on Monday the Bugler received a telephone call from an Escanaba aide who advised that Longfellow had written not five but seven stanzas in that famous Christmas poem. The aide proved it by reading the two missing stanzas, one of which referred to the Civil War as the cause of the doubt that plagued men of good will in those dark days when the poem was written.

Which brings us back to the thought that so far in this war, although we have gone through three dark war time Christmases, no poet has yet appeared to give us the inspiration of Longfellow.

—Clint Dunathan.

## The Lyons Den

By Leonard Lyons

NEW YORK—Foreign Dispatch: One of the correspondents in the Balkans, who was assigned to cover the story of Great Britain's political dictation in Italy and Greece, reminisced of the Versailles Conference. "One day Clemenceau walked out of the conference with Prime Minister Lloyd George," he related. "Clemenceau told the British representative: 'England's foreign policy reminds me of my little poodle dog. He's a great watch-dog. If you wake him up, he barks at the slightest noise.'"

POLITICS: Maurice Chevalier, who finally was cleared after having been charged with being a collaborator, now is a member of the Communist Party in France. The Communist Party was not unkind of the fact that his joining would be interpreted in France as a purge of any doubt that Chevalier ever had collaborated. Chevalier therefore had to pay a sensationally high initiation fee.

THEATRE: Last summer Dorothy Gish enrolled for a USO-Camp Show tour overseas to play the starring role in "Over 21." She turned down all offers for Broadway roles in order to make the trip. On Aug. 8 she received her inoculations. She waited for almost five months, and in the meantime gave performances at Army camps nearby. This week the cost finally was alerted. But on the day before the take-off, Grandson Rhodes, who plays the leading man, was told by his doctors that he must be operated on immediately. . . . And so yesterday, because it would take six weeks to process a substitute, the tour was cancelled.

MUSIC: Elsa Maxwell was at a party at Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean's, where she heard one of Shostakovich's newest works being performed. "That's wonderful, wonderful," Miss Maxwell rhapsodized. "Such divine music. It's unfortunate that we have nobody in America today to match the brilliance of his work. Shostakovich has the soul, the feel, the—." "Elsa, don't be silly," Mrs. McLean interrupted. "You know you're mad about 'Mairsy Doats.'"

BUSINESS DEPT.: George Lait, the war correspondent and veteran of the African and Pacific campaigns, went into an engagement with a Brigadier General at his side. When the shells began to drop nearby, the Brigadier said to Lait: "Don't worry." "Of course I worry," Lait replied. "All you got to do is get killed. I got to get back and write it."

LOCAL NEWS: Now that the sedition trials will not be resumed, John Rogge and Joseph W. Burns, who prosecuted the cases, probably will resign from the Dept. of Justice. . . . Lt. Col. John Warner, son-in-law of Al Smith and former head of the N. Y. State Police, will get his Army discharge at Fort Dix shortly. . . . Gen. Patton's friends insist that he has received a cluster to his Distinguished Service Cross. . . . Admiral Vickers of the Maritime Commission is at the Naval Hospital. . . . On Aug. 24, when I reported the investigation of Norden and the industrial engineering firm of Corrigan, Asborne & Wells, and subsequently stated that indictments would follow, the engineering firm's publicity director phoned to deny it. The indictments were announced Tuesday.

SOCIAL NOTES: Three society ladies were having tea at the Waldorf. The first said: "My husband bought me some diamond bracelets. Then my skin broke out, and the doctor said I was allergic to diamonds. So we had to return them." . . . The second said that her husband had bought her a fur coat, which had to be returned because the doctor said she was allergic to furs. The third faintly was revived, and said: "I'm allergic to hot air."

## The Washington Merry-Go-Round

BY DREW PEARSON

(Lt. Col. R. S. Allen now on active service)  
 Washington—Those close up to the war picture are convinced that aside from faulty intelligence, there was no one single military error which brought on the swift and disastrous German break-through.

Undoubtedly some intelligence officers will be disciplined or broken for failing to evaluate the concentration of German troops opposite the First Army about a week beforehand. But there were other factors contributing to the reverse, none of which can be laid at the doorstep of a single commander. Basically they are factors which only General Eisenhower and General Marshall themselves could properly evaluate and act on.



Pearson

Here are some of the inside, basic factors involved:

1. General Marshall himself ordered the U. S. offensive which began Nov. 8, and which continued with battering-ram tactics until Von Rundstedt turned the tide against us. Marshall, visiting the battlefield in October, that during the winter the Germans could mobilize 100 new divisions, so it was wise for us to clear them off the west bank of the Rhine before winter closed in.

2. There was and is no disposition to doubt the wisdom of General Marshall's decision. However, these battering-ram tactics cost men, also tire men out. The American system is to keep divisions on the front line, bringing up fresh men only for replacements. Thus the divisions now at the front have been fighting steadily since the landing in Normandy last June—with, of course, a lot of men coming up as replacements.

—GERMANS RESTED TROOPS—

3. This is considered an excellent system and gets results. However, the Germans immediately took out their battle troops after Normandy and sent them to rest behind the lines. The Nazi boys and old men we encountered in the Siegfried line made us think the German army was shot to pieces, but it wasn't. The experienced battle troops, now refreshed after a long rest, are taking the offensive against us.

4. The war department itself was responsible for a lot of the favorable news which gave the public a general feeling of over-confidence. One of its most important indications was that some 800,000 German troops were killed or taken prisoners during the clean-up of France, making a sizeable hole in the Nazi army. Of these, however, about 400,000 were Russian-Ukrainian labor battalions. Thus the American public had reasons to believe that a large slice of the German army was decimated.

5. Germany's new royal tiger tank is superior to ours and we have known it. It is extremely difficult to knock out of commission. However, we thought the war was going to be over soon and that we could finish up the job with the tanks already on hand—of which we had tremendous quantities. More recently, however, we have started building a big tank which can equal or better the royal tiger.

—ROBOTS BEAT AIRPLANES—

6. Robot bombs and rocket bombs carry in any weather whereas airplanes can't. Also they don't require men. Thus the Germans have been able to bomb us from the air—by robots and rockets—while because of bad weather we couldn't bomb them. The Nazis lay out a square of territory in and behind our lines, then systematically pepper it with rocket bombs. They can aim them well enough to hit within certain areas.

7. The German system is to attack suddenly with tremendous force and heavy armor in one small area, they concentrated hundreds of tanks in their first attack. Once they broke through, they spread out. Also the Nazis had little to lose. If they sat behind the Siegfried line they were sure to lose the war eventually, so they could afford this gamble.

8. However, it remains a fact that we had advance information of great Nazi activity for about a week before the attack came, though apparently we sized it up as preparation for retreat rather than attack. Also some of General Eisenhower's friends in the war department had cautioned him that it was a favorite Nazi trick to turn and strike back when cornered.

—WEATHER NOTE—

When the House Military Affairs committee took off from Washington on its trip to Europe, members had been told they'd fly the northern route to England with a stop at Newfoundland. So they dressed in their heaviest underwear. A card game started, some of the members began to read and one or two went to sleep. Among those who chose sleep was Bolivar Pagan, commissioner for Puerto Rico. Pagan slept through the pilot's announcement after the plane had been in the air about half an hour that the plans had been changed, that they would fly the southern route with a Bermuda stop.

As the plane pulled in to tropical Bermuda, only a few hundred miles from Pagan's homeland, Pagan awakened and started to dig out his wraps. He put on a sweater under his suitcoat, a muffler, a heavy overcoat, a hat, gloves and spats. Those of his colleagues who noticed, decided to say nothing. They sat by and watched. When the plane landed Pagan, with amazement written on his face, marveled at the mildness of the mid-winter climate of Newfoundland.

"I never heard of such a thing," he said. "Why, you'd think we were 'way down South.'"

One good turn deserves another—one bad one is what causes auto accidents.

Why is it that wearing apparel given for Christmas always is too long, too short, too tight or too something?



## NEW TAX PLAN STARTS JAN. 1

Withholding Rate Will  
Provide Full Levy  
On Earnings

Get set for a change in your paycheck after Jan. 1 when new withholding tax rates on wages and salaries will go into effect. In addition to changing the schedules to make the withholding system more precise—the idea is to collect approximately the full and exact amount of income taxes you owe the government—there will be a change in the amount of exemptions you can claim.

Up to now your withholding tax was based on a \$10 bracket formula. All people in that bracket, according to the number of their dependents had the same amount of tax withheld. For example:

Smith and Jones each are married, and each has one dependent. Smith made \$30 a week and Jones earned \$39.50. However, both were in the same \$10 bracket, so both had the same amount withheld from their taxes. The inequality, of course, was ironed out in the final adjustment when the men filed their annual tax returns.

Under the new setup, Smith's withholding tax will be 50c while Jones will pay \$2.10 each week. And remember: another factor making a change in the amount of your tax is the amount of exemptions you can claim.

Formerly you took \$500 if you were single, \$1200 if married and, of course, living with your wife, plus \$350 for each child or de-

pendent. Next year it will be flat \$500 for everyone. In other words, a married couple last year could claim \$1200 plus \$350 for their one child, a total of \$1550; next year the exemption will total \$1500. This new plan will work out to the advantage of the man with many children.

Some misunderstanding has arisen in connection with announcements that income tax payers may file their final 1944 returns, together with the final payment of their 1944 taxes on Jan. 15 if they choose. It is nothing new and does not replace the customary March 15 filing date. You can file your final 1944 returns anytime, provided you can get the forms, or you can wait until March 15, which is what most people likely will do.

There is a little joker, however, in this last item. If you don't file your final return by Jan. 15, at which time you should know actually what you earned in 1944, you must not forget to file your final form 1040-ES, which is supposed to estimate your income within 20 per cent of accuracy. This form 1040-ES was due on Dec. 15, but the time was extended to Jan. 15 to give you a chance to square up 100 per cent by that date if you care to. Simple, isn't it?

Now, if you choose to file your actual tax return on Jan. 1, you may omit the final 1040-ES, and save yourself some bookkeeping. But there is a stumbling block. Employers are not required to provide the W-2 form, showing the amount they withheld from your wages, until Jan. 31, and you cannot file your actual return until you have that receipt, even though you know what amount will be inscribed upon it.

So, if your form W-2 is too late

## Gasoline Ration Coupons Expire

Expiration of gasoline ration coupons "B-4", "C-4" and "4th QTR. T" was announced by the Office of Price Administration.

On December 31, 1944, the "B-4", "C-4" and "4th QTR. T" gasoline ration coupons will expire for consumers. Few of the "B-4" and "C-4" coupons are still outstanding, OPA said, since local War Price and Rationing Boards stopped issuing them in August, 1944. The "4th QTR. T" coupons were issued for use in the fourth quarter only, and their invalidation is a means of preventing left-over coupons from being used unlawfully.

Service station operators will have 10 days, or through January 10, 1945, in which to turn in their "B-4", "C-4", and "T" coupons. Similarly, distributors will have ten additional days, or through January 20, to deposit these coupons in their ration bank accounts.

for Jan. 15 you can wait until March 15 to file, provided you didn't forget to file your 1040-ES on or before Jan. 15.

There, in a nutshell, is your simplified income tax headache. All you have to do is remember what form to fill out on what date, and enclose with it a check large enough to make sure you aren't underestimating by more than 20 per cent, unless you are working for wages, in which case your boss ought to know what to do. Incidentally, for the man who really wants to get to the bottom of this thing, there should be some good instruction books on sale in the stores pretty soon.

## Owen Chooses Career In Classical Ballet

A number of Escanabans have made good in the field of fine arts and now the community can claim a performer in the realm of the classical ballet, in the person of Kenneth Owen, 22 son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Owen, 920 Second avenue north. Kenneth, who is spending the Christmas holiday at his home here, is with the Bernice Holmes company in Chicago.

The performer's career as a dancer began over five years ago when Helen Cloutier was instructing him in tap dancing and he was appearing in numerous local programs. In 1941, Kenneth began studying tap and ballet with Phil Hayden in Washington, D. C., and at that time appeared in many USO and army shows in and around the capital.

In Chicago, Kenneth got into the Ballet Repertoire company, with which organization Bronislava Nijinsky was choreographer. She is deemed one of the four greatest choreographers and the most renowned woman choreographer in the world. With that company the Escanaba dancer performed in "Hitch Your Wagon to a Star," which is being done at present in New York City by the Ballet International.

Kenneth has had offers to join the Ballet Russe, with which he worked one summer, the Royal Canadian Ballet and the "Oklahoma" company. He danced with the Chicago Opera company during this past season which closed November 18 after a five weeks run under the directorship of



KENNETH OWEN

Boris Romanoff. Last summer Kenneth worked with the Midwest Opera company in the summer operatic festival in such performances as "Wild Flower," "Merry Widow" and "New Moon."

In discussing his dancing, Kenneth pointed out that, contrary to the opinion of many, it is "not all flowers and disorganized contortions" but an art which is actually hard work requiring daily practice and lessons under a good teacher. His present teacher is Bernice

## Naval Recruiter Coming Saturday

Chief Petty Officer C. W. Graham, Recruiter in Charge of the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, Marquette, and Petty Officer B. J. Dyer, traveling recruiter, will be in Escanaba on Saturday, Dec. 30, at the postoffice building.

Graham is contacting high schools in the area to acquaint students and faculty with the opportunities in military service, also explaining the Navy Radio Technician Training Program.

Dyer will interview applicants for enlistment in the Navy, and can be contacted at the postoffice building in Iron River and Iron Mountain. 17 year olds are cautioned to bring their birth certificate, and should be accompanied by father or guardian to sign consent papers.

Men of draft age who had their pre-induction physical examination and are found qualified for general military service are eligible to take the Eddy Test, and if they attain a passing grade will be given a letter of assignment to the induction board and will be subsequently enlisted in the Navy.

Holmes, who has a studio and ballet company in Chicago. Kenneth will be the company's "first dancer" in their season which will open in Chicago in February.

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Center Cuts Pork Chops ... lb 29c

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WOMAN'S PAGE FASHIONS— ACTIVITIES—

AMY BOLGER, Editor, Phone 692

Personal News

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Kress and family have returned from Iron Mountain where they spent Christmas Day with Mrs. William Adolph and Dr. and Mrs. F. O. Logie and family.

Rev. and Mrs. Karl J. Hammar and son, Eric, are spending a few days visiting with relatives and friends in Milwaukee.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Jorgenson of Kenosha, Wis., are visiting here during the holidays at the Robert Heath and Ferdinand Jorgenson family homes.

Miss Carol Hansen who spent the Christmas weekend with her mother, Mrs. Ellen Hansen, 217 Ogden avenue, has returned to Chicago where she is employed.

S 1/2 Russell Faber who spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Faber, 427 South 19th street, returned to Chicago Tuesday.

Henry M. Stack has left for Chicago for consultation with specialists.

Jeanette Flagstad, daughter of Mrs. Hugo Larson, 1017 1/2 Ludington street, spent the Christmas holidays with friends at Long Beach, Calif. Miss Flagstad is now employed at the Consolidated Aircraft company, San Diego.

Mrs. Matthew Sullivan and daughter, Joanne, of Detroit are here for a holiday vacation visit at the home of Mrs. Sullivan's father, S. M. Johnson, 915 First avenue south.

Mrs. Bevier Butts and children left Wednesday morning for their new home in Waukegan, Ill., and, enroute, will visit with relatives in Milwaukee. Mr. Butts, who came to spend the holiday with his family and to supervise details of closing their home here, is returning to Waukegan today.

Orval Cox has returned to Milwaukee after a Christmas visit at the C. E. Johnson and Edward A. Cox homes. Mrs. Cox and their son, Teddy, are remaining for a longer visit.

Staff Sgt. Walter Bittner of Camp Crowder, Mo., arrived on Thursday to spend 18 days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gust Bittner of Cornell.

Lorraine Bittner and Mrs. Bud Tolan of Chicago spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

Petty Officer First Class Palmer Derouin and Mrs. Derouin have returned to New London, Conn., following a holiday visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vogel and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Derouin.

Mr. and Mrs. Burtis Webber and children of Sault Ste. Marie, visited with Mr. Webber's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kallio, and with his sister, Mrs. C. C. Newell, during the Christmas holidays, returning to their home on Tuesday.

William Gardipee and Mrs. Lillian Harter of Milwaukee have returned to their homes after spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mrs. Edith Beitzer, 320 Ludington street. Miss Shirley Harter has returned to Neenah, Wis., after visiting at the Beitzer home, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gardipee, son Bernard, and Francis Gardipee of Little Lake, also have returned after a Christmas visit at the Beitzer home.

Miss Gladys Hutchins, 320 Ludington street, has returned from Princeton, Mich., where she visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutchins.

Francis LaFond who spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. W. O. LaFond, 1106 Seventh avenue south, left Thursday morning to return to Madison, Wis., where he is in the Navy V-12 program at the University of Wisconsin.

Miss Theresa Roberge left last night to return to Bloomington, Ill., where she is a cadet nurse at St. Joseph's hospital, following a holiday vacation spent at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roberge, 900 Second avenue south.

Miss Regina Manning has returned to Ann Arbor where she is a student at the University of Michigan, after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Manning, 810 First avenue south.

Clarence Mylander has returned to Chicago where he is employed, following a Christmas visit here with his wife, 325 South 17th street. Other holiday guests, who visited Mrs. Mylander and her sister, Miss Elizabeth Mylander, and who have returned to Chicago, are Miss Genevieve and Miss Joy Mylander and John Mylander.

Miss Frances Ann Dickson has returned to Chicago where she is employed, following a Christmas visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Dickson, 523 Ogden avenue.

Miss June Olson who is employed in Rockford, Ill., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Olson, 939 Stephenson avenue.

Major Kenneth E. Brotherton arrived Monday night to spend a 21-day leave with his wife and son, Bill, 610 South Tenth street. Major Brotherton has just returned from Honolulu where he was stationed with army quartermaster corps. At the conclusion of his leave, he and Mrs. Brotherton will go to Miami Beach, Fla., where Major Brotherton will spend two weeks at the redistribution station.

Cpl. Paul Rademacher has returned to Traux Field, Madison, Wis., where he is stationed with the army air force, after spending the Christmas weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rademacher, 709 Third avenue south.

Pat O'Connell, who is employed in Detroit, is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter O'Connell, 1107 Tenth avenue south.

Cadet Nurse Lorraine Shanahan left yesterday to return to Bloomington, Ill., where she is training at St. Joseph's hospital, after spending Christmas at the family home, 315 North 14th street.

Miss Marilyn LaCrosse has returned to Bloomington, Ill., where she is training as a cadet nurse, after spending the holidays at her home here.

Miss Ruth Hogan who attends Northwestern university in Evanston, Ill., is spending the holidays at the home of her mother, Mrs. Emma Hogan, 2400 Eighth avenue south.

Cadet Nurse Pat Kenney is leaving to Chicago this morning to return to Columbus hospital, Chicago, where she is in training after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kenney, Second avenue south.

Edward Olson, 939 Stephenson

avenue, is leaving tonight for Rockford, Ill., where he will spend several days at the home of his son, Pvt. Arthur Olson, who is on furlough. Pvt. Olson is stationed at Camp Robinson, Ark.

Miss Beatrice Menard who spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Menard, Escanaba, Route One, left yesterday morning to return to Detroit where she is employed.

Cpl. Donald Breault left yesterday morning to return to his base in Kentucky, following a Christmas visit at the home of his father, Frank Breault, 1809 Ludington street.

P. D. Stack is leaving this morning for Chicago where he will enlist in the Merchant Marine. He spent Christmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stack, 738 Lake Shore Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McFarland have returned to Chicago, after spending Christmas at the Gideon Stegath home, 922 Seventh avenue south.

Miss Helen Schwalbach, 511 North 20th street, is spending several days visiting friends in Green Bay.

Roy Burgo has returned to Madison, Wis., after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Burgo, 928 North 18th street.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Deiter have returned to their home in Sawyer, Wis., following a visit at the Fred Deiter home, Soo Hill.

S 2/2 Raymond Cartwright, who is stationed with the navy at Great Lakes, Ill., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cartwright, Soo Hill.

S 1/2 Raymond L. Olson arrived Tuesday night after returning to this country from Pearl Harbor, to spend a leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Werner A. Olson, 805 South 18th street. Seaman Olson will report to San Francisco on January 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Grimmer have returned to Marinette, after spending Christmas here with Mrs. Grimmer's mother, Mrs. Albert J. Pepin, 409 South Eighth street.

Miss Margit Klemmetsen, who spent the holidays here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peder Klemmetsen, 602 First avenue south, has returned to Chicago.

Christmas guests at the J. T. Schoonenberg home, 613 South Tenth street, were their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schoonenberg of St. Paul; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin S. Flader and son, John, of Evanston, Ill.; Cpl. and Mrs. Harlan Welsh of Madison, Wis., and Miss Mary Alice Schoonenberg of Chicago. Mrs. Flader is the former Florence Schoonenberg, and Mrs. Welsh, before her marriage, was Helen Schoonenberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank St. Pierre, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carney and Mr. and Mrs. Al St. Pierre and son, Wayne, attended a Christmas reunion of members of the Flood family, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blickner in Menominee.

Miss Sigrid Mattson has returned to Chicago following a holiday visit with relatives in Newberry and with friends in Escanaba.

Mrs. Madge Johnson and daughter, Evelyn, have returned to Milwaukee following a Christmas visit with Mrs. Johnson's mother, Mrs. H. P. Hansen.

Mrs. Leonard Smith and daughters, Parma Lee and Sharon Lou, spent Christmas at the Roger Smith home in Gladstone. Pvt. Leonard Smith, the husband and father, is stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. William Jacobson and son, Glenn, and Miss Pearl Jacobson of Wakefield, Mich., are holiday guests at the D. H. Raess home, 1115 Tenth avenue south.

Pvt. Paul A. Sullivan has returned to Skokie Valley, Glenview, Ill., where he is stationed with the military police, after spending Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Lillian Sullivan, and family, 312 South 14th street. Shortly after returning to Glenview, Pvt. Sullivan expects to be transferred to the infantry at Camp Livingston, La. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Barber of Chatham and Mrs. Mary Kelly and son, Fenton Kelly, of Milwaukee have returned to their homes after spending Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Villeneuve, 305 South 13th street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sullivan of Lansing are spending the holidays with Mr. Sullivan's mother, Mrs. Julia Sullivan, 1001 Eighth avenue south.

Chief Gunner's Mate John Casey arrived Sunday night from San Francisco after over a year's sea duty with the coast guard in the Southwest Pacific. He is spending a 15-day leave at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ruby Casey, 1225 North 21st street.

Flight Officer John Froberg arrived Tuesday night from Lubbock Field, Texas, to spend a 15-day leave at the home of his par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Froberg, 1217 Eighth avenue south.

Cadet Nurse Eula Erickson left Tuesday morning to return to Michael Reese hospital, Chicago, to undergo an operation after spending the Christmas weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed F. Erickson, 211 South Fifth street.

Bill Lynaugh left yesterday morning to return to Chicago after spending Christmas with relatives in Escanaba and Gladstone.

Pvt. Jim Sandborn has returned to Texas where he is stationed with the medical corps, after spending Christmas with his wife, Washington avenue.

Warren Cleary left yesterday morning to return to Mt. Pleasant where he is in the Navy V-12 program, following a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cleary, South Eleventh street.

Mrs. David Mitchell, daughter, Anita, and son, David, left last night to return to their home in Akron, Ohio, following a holiday visit at the home of Mrs. Mitchell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Amnell, 412 South Twelfth street.

Miss Shirley Weir who spent Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Weir, 1014 Lake Shore Drive, left Tuesday night to return to Minneapolis where she is training as a cadet nurse at Powell hospital at the University of Minnesota.

Mrs. Elmer St. Martin, 509 South Ninth street, left yesterday morning for Sturgeon Bay where she will spend several days with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank St. Martin, and their infant daughter.

AM 3/2 Stanley Hoffman who spent Christmas with his wife and son, Gary, 516 South 14th street, and with relatives in Escanaba and Manistique, left last night to return to Norfolk, Va., where he is stationed with the navy.

Miss Mercedes Berube who is employed in Detroit is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Berube of Wells.

Mrs. Max Heins of Milwaukee has come to Escanaba to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Emma Savard. Mrs. Frank LaFortune of Pontiac is also here to attend her mother's funeral, as is Mrs. Savard's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jerry Savard of Milwaukee. A son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Savard, and family of Blaney will also attend the funeral.

Mrs. Isadore Cyr, 309 South Ninth street, who has been visiting in Fort Wayne, Ind., returned to Escanaba last night to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Emma Savard.

Miss Frances Owen who spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Jesse Owen, 1201 First avenue south, has returned to Chicago.

Miss Mary and Miss Georgia Chapekis left yesterday morning to return to Ann Arbor where the former attends the University of Michigan and the latter is employed, following a Christmas visit at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Chapekis, 808 Ludington street. Another holiday guest at the Chapekis home, Theodore Petropoulos, is leaving this morning to return to Milwaukee.

ART 1/2 William T. Loeffler has returned to his base at Traverse City after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F.



IN INDIA—Mary Audrey Gauthier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Gauthier, Bark River, has arrived in India to serve the armed forces as an American Red Cross hospital social worker. Previously, Miss Gauthier served the Red Cross at Camp Upton, Long Island, N. Y., and Fort Dix, N. J. Before her Red Cross appointment, she was employed at Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y. She attended Teachers College, Columbia University and Fordham University.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gasman, 1100 South Eleventh street, are the parents of a daughter, born Sunday, Dec. 24, at St. Francis hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cayer, Rapid River, are the parents of a son, born at St. Francis hospital on Friday, Dec. 22.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Young, Rapid River, at St. Francis hospital, Wednesday morning, Dec. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Wayne Haddock of Duquesne, Pa., are the parents of a daughter, born on Monday, Christmas Day. Both Mr. and Mrs. Haddock are former residents of Escanaba.

Church Events

Friends Program

The Salvation Army is sponsoring a special friends program to be presented at 7:45 o'clock tonight at 112 North 15th street. The program will include special music, songs by Mrs. John Anderson, and a "Julotta po Landet" with the Rev. C. V. Engstrom of Gladstone as the Swedish minister. For this presentation a typical Swedish church background has been built by Ole Olson and Albin Lauson. The string band will play. Refreshments will be served at the close of the program. The public is invited to attend.

Employees Guests

At Holiday Party

Fourteen employees of the Coney Island restaurant and their husbands and friends enjoyed a Christmas party Sunday afternoon at the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kallio. Bonuses were distributed, according to length of service, and individual gifts were exchanged. Following the singing of Christmas carols, a delicious lunch was served. Mr. and Mrs. Kallio were presented by the group with a beautiful gift.

Garden

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hynes of Munising, Mrs. Emmogene Turpin and daughter Marjorie Mae of Manistique, Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnston of Thompson spent Christmas day with Mrs. Emma Johnston and son Hugh. This is the first time in 24 years that all members of the family have been together for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gardner and daughter, Charlene, Mr. and Mrs. Ed LaBelle of Manistique were Sunday guests of Mrs. Exilda Gauthier.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stellwagen and Mrs. Roland Boudreau and sons were dinner guests of Mrs. Ulysses Maynard and her father, Napoleon Boudreau at the home of the latter, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tatrow, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tatrow and son were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tatrow Monday.

Loeffler, 314 First avenue south. Other holiday guests at the Loeffler home were Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow White who have returned to their home in Racine.

Miss Dorothy Johnson, 420 South 13th street, and Miss Marquita Lieung, 1214 First avenue south, are spending several days in Iron Mountain.



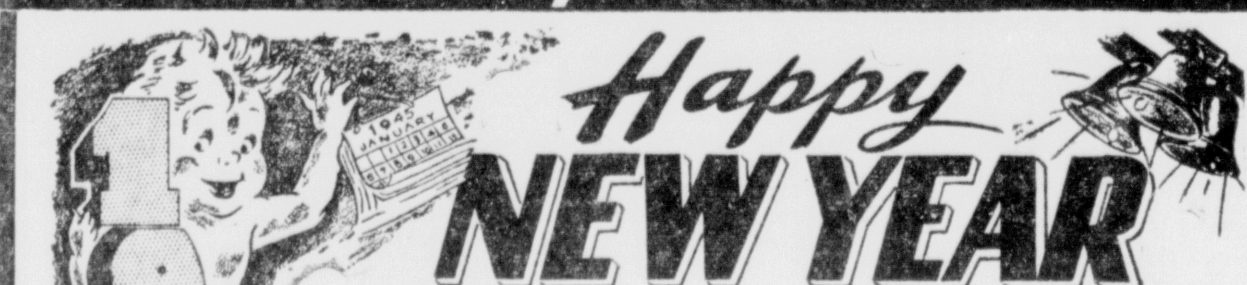
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APRICOTS Garden City, Unpeeled Halves, 29 oz. can 26c  
ORANGE JUICE Real Gold, California 18 oz. can 22c  
CORN Golden Cream Style, Nicolet 20 oz. can 13c  
PEAS Larsens, Sweet, Ungraded 20 oz. can 16c  
GREEN BEANS Cut, Schillo 19 oz. can 13c  
VEG-ALL Larsens, A well-balance salad in itself 20 oz. glass 15c  
TOMATO SOUP Heinz Cream of 2 11 oz. cans 21c  
My-T-Fine Brand, Chocolate, Lemon, Vanilla and Butterscotch 4 oz. pkg. 5c  
PUDDING Whole, Peter Piper Brand 22 oz. jar 22c  
SWEET PICKLES Miracle Brand 8 oz. bottle 15c  
FRENCH DRESSING Makes good salads taste better 12 oz. glass 15c  
JELLY Apl-Raspberry, Clover Brand 10 oz. pkg. 15c  
PRETZEL STICKS Nabisco's Oso Good 10 oz. pkg. 15c  
COFFEE Yellow Front, Ground to your order 3 lb 59c  
SALTED PEANUTS Fresh, Spanish Style 12 oz. pkg. 23c  
PARKER HOUSE ROLLS Cobb's 8 in pkg. 12c  
SUGAR Fine Granulated 10 lb bag 65c

HILLS BROS. COFFEE lb. jar 30c  
FLOUR BLUE RIBBON ENRICHED 50 lb bag \$1.99  
25 lb bag \$1.00  
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## LETTER TELLS SON'S DEATH

**Sgt. Robert Gish Died  
Attacking Machine  
Gun Positions**

The Purple Heart Award has been made posthumously to Sgt. Robert W. Gish who was killed in action in Italy on October 1 and the award was received here by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gish, 916 Minneapolis avenue.

The following letter has been received by the parents from Chaplain Paul Tarcy of the 337th Infantry:

"This will verify the telegram which you have already received from the War Department notifying you of the death of your son. 'Sergeant Robert W. Gish, 3619888, Co. K, 337th Infantry, was killed by enemy automatic weapons fire on 1 October 1944, in Northern Italy. At the time, his squad, of which he was the leader, succeeded in destroying enemy machine gun nests. Your son succeeded in accomplishing his mission, but in doing so paid the supreme sacrifice. His comrades knew him for a quiet man, but ever reliable and an outstanding soldier of his unit. Sgt. Gish is sadly missed by his many friends. His remains are now resting in an American cemetery in Northern Italy, having been buried with full military honors and with a chaplain presiding at the funeral."

"This is a heavy burden which Almighty God has placed on your shoulders but I am sure that you will bear it with true Christian fortitude and strive to carry on as your son would have wished you to."

"Greater love than this no man hath, than he lay down his life for his friend," Christ told us. It is a consolation to know that your son died a hero's death in defense of the folks at home whom he loved so dearly."

"Be assured of my heartfelt sympathy, and of the sympathy of all the officers and men of the 337th Infantry."

The stalk-eyed fly has eyes on the ends of long extensions from the sides of its head.

## City Briefs

Mrs. Frances Gagnon, who is employed in Chicago, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Englehart of Brampton.

Miss Nathalie Hillewaert of Milwaukee is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hillewaert, Dakota avenue.

Pfc. Lansing Marble of the U. S. Signal Corps, Camp Crowder, Mo., visited here over Christmas as a guest of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Marble, and with Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Defnet in Escanaba. He is now enroute to Seattle, Wash., to visit with his family, and he anticipates that his sisters, Miss Jean Marble, who has been in Arizona the past year, and Mrs. Ellen Marble Stinchfield, will be home for the holidays. Lansing expects to be sent to the China-Burma-India sector when he goes overseas.

Bert McPherson and children, Thomas, David and Jimmy, and Carl McPherson of Chicago spent Christmas here visiting with the Albert Latimers. They returned to their homes on Wednesday.

Mrs. George Barton and son, George Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Blomgren of Minneapolis spent Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Diamond.

Fred Mahlar left Tuesday night to return to Reedsburg, Wis., after spending the past three days here visiting his wife and children at their home at 410 Wisconsin avenue. Mr. Mahlar is employed in construction work at Baraboo, Wis.

Chief Petty Officer Roger C. Archambeau, U. S. Navy, is here on 10 day leave visiting his family. He arrived on the "400" Tuesday night and upon his return will report at Baltimore, Md.

Miss Shirley Dausey of Detroit is spending the holidays visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dausey.

Mr. H. E. Thorpe of Chicago visited here over Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Webster Marble II.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Burt of Marquette and Thomas Denny of Iron Mountain spent the Christmas week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Burt, Superior avenue, returning to their homes on Tuesday.

Miss Ruby Engstrom plans to return to Minneapolis tonight after a holiday visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. V. S. Engstrom.

Andrew Brunette and daughter, Virginia, of Rapid River and Miss Fay Minor of Jackson, Mich., visited Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Burt.

## Briefly Told

**Y. P. Yule Party**—The Young Peoples society of the First Baptist church will have a Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the church parlors. Potluck lunch will be served. There will be an exchange of gifts.

**Luther League**—The Luther league of the First Lutheran church will have a banquet tonight at 6:30 o'clock in the church. The Rev. Emory Pokrant of Bark River will be guest speaker.

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## SGT. G. HAYES WAR CASUALTY

**Was Killed In Action In  
Southwest Pacific  
Theatre**

Sgt. Glenn C. Hayes of Detroit was killed in action somewhere in the Southwest Pacific, according to word received here by the Norman C. Kees.

Sgt. Hayes was the husband of Norma Kee, formerly of Gladstone, who is now employed at the Willow Run bomber plant at Wayne, Mich.

The last letter received from Sgt. Hayes was dated Dec. 7. The message from the war department did not give the date of death. The widow has been advised that medals including the Purple Heart which have been awarded Sgt. Hayes are being forwarded to her. Mrs. Hayes plans on continuing work at the bomber plant.

## Alice McNary Is Claimed By Death

Miss Alice McNary, 81, of Brampton township, passed away yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock at Newberry.

Miss McNary, during her active lifetime, was engaged in nursing. Lone relatives of the deceased are Mrs. George Leveque of Brampton and Margaret Sheehan of Gladstone. Both are nieces.

The body was brought to the Kelley funeral home where it will remain until the hour of last rites.

While definite arrangements for the funeral have not been made, it is probable that rites will be conducted Saturday.

## Walter Anderson Wounded In Action

Pvt. Walter Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Anderson, of Ensign, was slightly wounded in action in France Dec. 4, his parents have been informed by the war department.

Pvt. Anderson, 22 years old, has been in service two years and has been overseas for the past year. He trained at Walter Anderson in Mississippi and South Carolina before going overseas.

## Lions Will Hear Musical Program

A regular meeting of the Gladstone Lions club will be conducted tonight at 6:45 o'clock in the clubhouse of the Gladstone Yacht club.

A musical program has been arranged for the evening. Vocal solos will be sung by Miss Mildred Ketchum and Miss Mary Warnick, there will be selections by a men's quartet composed of B. C. Chatfield, Roy LaCasse, Louis Gabriel and Soren Johnson and a monologue by Roseann Sirola. Mrs. C. A. LaFave will be the accompanist.

## Social

### Lusardi-Johnson

Miss Joyce Lusardi, daughter of Emil Lusardi of Lathrop, and Gordon Johnson, son of Frank Johnson of Lathrop were united in marriage at a pretty ceremony performed in the Mission Covenant church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. C. V. S. Engstrom reading the wedding vows. Attending the couple were Edwin Dyberg of Rock and Eileen Lusardi of Lathrop and Emil Lusardi and Rose Johnson, both of Lathrop.

## News From Men In The Service

Mrs. Doris Rajala has received word that Pvt. Henry Rajala has arrived safely in New Guinea.

### Curtis

Curtis—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker left Friday to spend the winter in Southern Michigan.

Mrs. Harold Cruse arrived from Detroit Friday to spend Christmas holidays with her mother Mrs. Mary Gowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Kaufman and family are visiting relatives in Lower Michigan for the holidays. Elray Furrester is spending the holidays with his parents at Rudyard.

The dance given Saturday night for the benefit of the Red Cross was well attended.

### Danforth

Danforth—Miss Isabel Hamnerberg who attends the Northern Michigan College of Education at Marquette is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamnerberg.

## Pfc. Adolph Lusic Returned to Duty; Given Purple Heart

Pfc. Adolph Lusic has returned to duty with the American army in France, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Lusic.

Adolph was wounded October 14, 1944 in Germany and was hospitalized in France.

The Purple Heart has been awarded the youth and it was received by his parents Tuesday.

Pfc. Lusic entered service March 18, 1943 and trained at Fort Jackson, S. C. He went overseas in May of this year.

## Hermansville

Hermansville—Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hupy of Milwaukee spent the week end visiting at the home of her father, Ed LeCoursiere.

Miss Mae La Coursiere of Milwaukee is visiting at the home of her father, Ed LeCoursiere.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Score of Sturgeon Bay are visiting relatives here.

Cadet Nurse Doris Pieropon, who is training at St. Mary's hospital, Rochester, Minn., is spending a two weeks' vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Pieropon.

Mrs. Wilbert Nauman of Milwaukee is spending a few days visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Clara Mauli.

Misses Dorothy and Kathryn Kobosick of Milwaukee are spending a few days visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kobosick.

Leslie Gereau of Wayne is spending a few days visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gereau.

Pvt. Mike Posig of Oberlin, Ohio, is spending a few days visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Posig.

Misses Anna and Frances Rodman of Wayne are spending a week's vacation visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rodman, Sr.

Mrs. Stanley Dietrich of Milwaukee is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Arduin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rodman of Wayne arrived Saturday to visit during the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rodman, Sr., and at the home of Mrs. Rodman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Laviolette in Escanaba.

Mrs. Frances Keese of Milwaukee is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Posig.

Misses Genevieve Tomas and Cecelia Tomas are spending the holidays visiting relatives in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Haglund of Norway were callers at the G. Marana home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Mauli of Daggett were callers at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Mauli on Sunday.

William Kure of Kingsford was a caller at the Joseph Rodman home on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stockero and family of Manitowoc spent a few days visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Marana of Daggett were callers at the G. Marana home on Sunday.

Miss Sally Wery of Ann Arbor is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Evey Parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zimmerman of Detroit are visiting relatives here.

Miss Elaine Wery of Chicago is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Octave Wery.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Machalk of Milwaukee are visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Draga Machalk.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Polazzo of Menominee spent a few days visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Draga Machalk.

## Isabella

### Silver Wedding

Isabella—Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Sundine celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on Sunday Dec. 24th. A dinner was served to close friends and relatives and open house held for visitors the rest of the day. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. P. S. Nestander of Manistique, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Magnuson of Iron Mountain, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson and daughter of Escanaba, Mrs. William Bonifas, Mrs. Clarence Dupois and two daughters, of Lake Linden, Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Magnuson and son of South Dakota, Mrs. Ruth Peterson of Isabella, Mrs. Judith Strom of Chicago, Mrs. Teckla Green and son, and daughter.

The table center piece was a group candle holder and a lovely wedding cake. Music was furnished by Mr. William Bonifas and a duet, "I Love You Truly" was sung by Miss Nona Peterson and Audrey Watchorn.

Miss Elizabeth Bonifas and twin brothers of Lake Linden visited Christmas day with relatives and friends.

Cpl. E. F. Bourgeois arrived Wednesday night from Tuscan, Ariz. to spend a six day leave with his mother, Mrs. Mary Bourgeois.

One specialized group in a colony of a certain ant species does nothing but weed the fungus grown by the colony for food.

## City Briefs

Miss Evelyn Berwin of Menominee is visiting here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Berwin.

Mrs. Leo Thomas has been called to Detroit by the serious illness of her son-in-law, Delbert Rice.

Pvt. Roland Cody of Garden, who is home on furlough from Texas, is visiting here with his grandmother, Mrs. Rose Tebo.

Cpl. and Mrs. William Blowers have arrived here from Temple, Texas to spend the holidays here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bouschor have left for Manistique where they will spend some time visiting with relatives and friends.

Miss Eva Anderson visited in Escanaba over the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Flo Hastings of Detroit has arrived here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hastings.

Miss Gladys Carrothers has arrived here from Detroit to spend several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carrothers.

Miss Lorraine Barker, who is employed in Detroit, is spending a few days here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Barker.

Miss Mary Hololik of Flint is spending the holidays at Thompson with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hololik.

Miss Elaine Nestander, who is attending Augustana College at Rock Island, Ill., is visiting here at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. P. S. Nestander.

Miss Ann Solar of Detroit is spending a few days visiting here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Solar.

Miss Peggy Coffey has arrived here from Chicago to spend a short vacation with her mother, Mrs. Inez Coffey.

## SURVEY PLANS ARE ACCEPTED

**Administrative Board  
Approves Local  
Postwar Plans**

Routine matters, taking care of unfinished business at the year's close, took up most of the time at Tuesday evening's meeting of the city council.

Announcement was made that preliminary plans for a local survey of post war needs, submitted to the State Administrative Board, had been approved in matters affecting the city water system and sewerage and that \$2,347 had been allocated for completing the survey. One thousand dollars had been previously allocated for a survey of street improvement.

Notice was received from the Kluit Manufacturing company to the effect that the company had recognized to be operated under the new name of the Hiawatha Metal Products Corporation and the request was made that the lease given by the city to the company for the use of the former highway garage for factory purposes, be redrawn. The request was honored.

Announcement was made that a Snoo, snow remover, purchased by the city some time ago, had arrived and the order was made that it be unloaded, assembled and put into service. This device, equipped with rotary snow grinders, digs into drifts, elevates the snow and then deposits it into trucks, thus eliminating the need for so much hand shoveling and doing the work many times faster.

An invitation was extended to the mayor and city manager to attend in their official capacity, the annual meeting of stockholders of the First National Bank, which will be held on January 9. The council passes a motion instructing them to attend.

A delegation of Boy Scouts were present as guests of the council to see, first hand, how the business of the city is directed.

These achievements and accomplishments, however, are but a small part of the work done through the county agent's office in the past year. The agent's average day is filled with scores of small tasks, interviews, correspondence, research, meetings and consultations.

More concerning the work of the county agent, as revealed by his annual report, will be printed in this section of the Daily Press at a later date.

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## COUNTY AGENT HAD BUSY YEAR

**Many Achievements Are  
Listed In Annual  
Report**

Schoolcraft county's claims to prominence in agricultural activity and accomplishment, are, comparatively speaking, very modest.

It raises little corn or small grain, its advantages for dairying have not as yet been taken very seriously and much of its countryside is unimproved second-growth timberland. But in the past few years—particularly in the year now drawing to a close—the local farmers seem to be becoming more and more aware of the area's possibilities.

This fact is revealed in the annual report of Joseph Hierman, county agricultural agent for Schoolcraft and Alger counties.

In a summary of activities and accomplishments in these two counties in the past year, he lists:

Schoolcraft County Potato Boosters Association organized to boost potato industry.

First Potato Boosters Contest and County Show a success.

Twenty-six Schoolcraft county farmers produce yields of over 300 bushels per acre.

Schoolcraft county growers win two out of three of sweepstakes prizes at the 1944 Upper Peninsula Potato show at Escanaba.

Forty-seven samples of potatoes shown at the Upper Peninsula Potato Show.

Schoolcraft county grower wins sweepstakes at the State Potato show.

Potato Club members increased by 50 per cent over the 1943 enrollment.

Certified seed potato growers increased from six in 1943 to 16 in 1944.

Summer 4-H Club enrollment increased by 50 per cent.

Garden clubs in Alger and Schoolcraft counties increased by 50 per cent.

Twenty-two purebred bulls and six heifers placed in Alger and Schoolcraft counties in 1944.

Eleven canning demonstrations assist women and 4-H club members with canning problems.

4-H canning club members increased by 20 per cent.

Food preparation projects increased from 3 in 1943 to 43 in 1944.

Fifty club members attended the Upper Peninsula 4-H club camp at Camp Shaw, Chatham.

Five club members win trips to State 4-H club show.

Junior 4-H leaders organized with thirty-four enrollment in Schoolcraft county and eleven in Alger county.

Lillian Merkin, 4-H club member wins trip to 4-H National club Congress.

Labor Program handled by agent in Alger and Schoolcraft counties; 698 individuals recruited and placed.

Agent assists USDA War Board in Alger and Schoolcraft county in taking care of the various problems confronting the board.

Over 200 farm deferments were processed by the Agent in 1944.

Two boys and two girls attend Kellogg short course at Michigan State College.

Eight Home Economics groups complete lessons in home economics offered by Extension workers.

Agent assists farmers in finding better markets for potatoes and dairy products.

Farmers assisted in filing income tax returns by holding meetings in all the rural communities.

Exhibits of summer 4-H projects bigger and better.

Rutabagas encouraged as a cash crop on small farms.

Potato roguing demonstrations becoming more popular as shown by increasing attendance.

Labor saving devices encouraged by the agent throughout the year.

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## Claudia Smith Is Bride Of James Holmes

Miss Claudia Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith, 147 River street, became the bride of Jim Holmes, R. M. 3-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holmes, 168 River street, at a ceremony which took place Friday evening, December 22, at 10 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents.

The vows were exchanged before Rev. Meldon Crawford, of the First Methodist church.

The home was beautifully decorated with red roses and yellow mums, and lighted candles.

The couple was attended by Miss Loreen Smith, sister of the bride, and Kenneth Smith, uncle of the bride.

The bride wore a becoming street length dress of black pin-stripe taffeta trimmed with velvet, and a corsage of red roses and yellow mums.

The groom wore a black dress and a corsage of red roses and yellow mums.

Following the ceremony a reception was held with twenty guests present.

Both were graduates of the local high school in the class of 1943.

The bride is employed in the Douglas Aircraft plant in Chicago. The bridegroom has just returned from overseas duty, and expects to leave soon for California.

## Briefly Told

**Goodwill Club**—Members of the Goodwill Club will meet this afternoon in the club room. There will be election of officers, and pot luck lunch will be served.

**Legion Auxiliary**—The Legion Auxiliary will meet this evening in the K. of C. hall. Pot luck lunch will be served.

**Library Schedule**—The public library will be open daily from 2 to 3 and from 6 to 8 Friday evening. It will be closed on New Year's Day. No fines will be charged if returned the next day.

**Band Notice**—The high school band will practice Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

**Golden Star Lodge**—The Golden Lodge are sponsoring a party for the members and families Saturday evening, December 30 at the Gus Larson home. A planned pot luck lunch will be served.

**Legion**—There will be a regular



## STEPHENS IS RBI CHAMPION

Brownie Shortstop Tops Clutch Hitters, AL Records Show

BY JIMMY JORDAN

Chicago, Dec. 27 (AP)—Vernon Stephens ranked far down the list in averages among American League batters last season, but the St. Louis shortstop who helped slug his mates into the world series came up with one coveted title — runs batted in.

Stephens, apparently operating on the theory that "hits when hits count" are more important than a high batting average, drove 109 runs across the plate to pace the league in that department, official figures revealed today. He won the title over Boston's Bob Johnson by a margin of three runs batted in.

The Brownie slugger, who finished two behind New York's Nick Etten in the home run department — Etten had 22 round-trippers — had a batting average of only .293, far behind the .327 Cleveland's Lou Boudreau fashioned to take the league title.

But his "clutch-hitting" probably was the difference between the first American League flag for St. Louis, and a runner-up spot.

97 Walks for Etten

In addition to Stephens, only two other players in the league reached the 100-mark in R. B. I. — Johnny Lindell of New York, 103, and Stan Spence of Washington, 100. In 1943 only Rudy York of Detroit and Etten drove in 100 or more runs.

Despite Stephens' R. B. I. title and the Browns' league crown, the club finished third, as a team, in the runs-batted-in standings, Boston had 691, the Yankees 631, and St. Louis 628. However, the pennant winners came up with a new league record for hitting in double plays, with 93, one less than the former mark shared by three clubs.

Home run king Etten drew the most walks, 97, topping Johnson by two. The total, however, was nine below the 106 Charley Keller of the Yanks received a year ago.

Jim Seery of Cleveland won the distinction as strikeout king with 99, and George Stinewiss of New York, who had a season batting average of .319, was second with 87.

George Kell of Philadelphia set the pace in grounding into double plays with 28, while George McQuinn of the Browns batted into one twin killing in 146 games. Bob Artz of the Senators held the dubious distinction of being hit by a pitcher most often—eight times.

## Lesnevich Barred From Title Bout By Coast Guards

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 27 (AP)—Coast Guardsman Gus Lesnevich, world light heavyweight boxing champion, was forbidden by the coast guard today to fight in an eight-round non-title bout in Memorial Auditorium tonight against Phil Muscato of Buffalo.

The coast guard explained in Washington that its personnel is prohibited from participation in athletic contests over which their commanding officers have no jurisdiction.

**GOVERNMENT BONDS**  
New York, Dec. 27 (AP)—Closing prices:  
TREASURY  
2s, 34-52, Dec. 109.10  
2 1/2s, 46-56, 109.10  
2 1/2s, 46-56, 109.10  
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## Buck Read's Record In Basketball Is Amazing

BY SAM DAVIS

NEA Staff Correspondent  
New York—Like all basketball coaches, Herbert W. Read leans to tall players. Not a Western Michigan regular is under six feet.

Mustachioed Buck Read stands no more than five feet eight and weighs precisely what he came in at when he played forward years ago—140 pounds.

Because of his lack of size, Read perfected a method of climbing the walls on which the baskets were attached in the small courts of the old days.

One night as Read gained possession of the ball and commenced his commando tactics, he was smacked from the rear with considerable force, and bingo! The impact threw him up, and there he was hanging with one foot stuck in the basket. A ladder was required to get him down.

23-year Percentage .699  
Few coaches throughout a long period of years boast a more impressive record than Read, now in his 24th year at Western Michigan. Read's 23-year record shows a total of 412 games played with 288 victories against 124 defeats for an all-time percentage of .699.

Read took over the 1922 team midway in the campaign, when Bill Spaulding left Kalamazoo to coach football at Minnesota.

In only two campaigns under the Silver Fox of the Broncos has Western Michigan lost more games than it has won. And the Broncos have tackled the best—Purdue, Notre Dame, Michigan, Iowa, Northwestern, De Paul of Chicago, Loyola of Chicago, Toledo, Temple, City College of New York, Valparaiso, Creighton, Butler, Marquette, Michigan State and Detroit, to name a few.

Consistent In Any Style  
Read's all-time record varies little taken over the 23 years, or broken down into the earlier years with their slow, deliberate type of game, or considered from the start of the 1930 season, when the first adopted the fast break to enjoy an undefeated season of 17 games and attract nationwide attention.

Western Michigan schedules, however, have grown much stronger than those of the earlier years.

Western Michigan's records the past two winters were identical—15 victories and 4 defeats.

The Broncos opened this season by shading Kellogg Field, 46-43. They outplayed Michigan in the second half but lost, 46-34. They beat Brooklyn College 53-52 at Madison Square Garden before seeking to even the score with Michigan on their own court.

Buck Read has always been interested in the betterment of basketball in the interests of players and the public.

That is not the least reason why Western Michigan is one of the many colleges, unnoted in other sports, that is heard from with a loud thump when the basketball season rolls around.

## Racing Ban Not Horses' Holiday

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP)—The racing ban won't mean a holiday, not for most of the horses, anyway.

Almost all major stables campaigning in Florida will keep their thoroughbreds in training—just in case.

"We want to be ready when racing is resumed again," explained Ben Jones, trainer for the Calumet Farm.

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Buck Read . . . his Broncos are tough to take for ride.

## Hunting And Fishing

By Sid Gordon

### EVERY HUNTER SHOULD LIKE LICHEN

There isn't one deer hunter in a thousand who pays any attention to the lichens but I think he should be interested and should observe them. I'll bet 10 to one that this winter, and every winter, it is the favorite food of the deer.

It is spelled lichen but pronounced "liken." Many people call it a moss but it is not a moss and the deer are as hungry for it as a child is for candy. To me, it is one of the strangest and most interesting plants in all our woods.

You will see this "moss" growing on a great rock but you would never think that the little rocks which you do not see are dissolving the surface of the rock upon which they live.

Many years ago an old lumberjack told me that, when he felled a tree, the deer were so greedy for the lichen which grew on the bark, that he could almost hit them with his axe. They were that eager for the funny looking gray stuff which clung to the bark.

Sometimes it is merely gray patches on the bark of the trees, growing so closely that it seems like a part of the tree itself. Tonight I came across a little match box of three samples I have had for years. One of the lichens is a mass of little fronds three inches in length. The other two are much shorter.

But what interests me the most about the lichens is that they really are two plants in one. The plant itself would not live if it were not that it requires algae for its growth. You'll remember those tiny green specks in the lakes in the summer which we call "bloom."

This bloom, or algae, is in the air also and drops on the plant. The algae grows the starches for the plant and the lichen furnishes the salts and the water. Lichen gets its moisture from fog, dew or rain and it is the salts it manufactures which dissolve the rocks.

I have never had the lichen tested chemically but it must be the salt-starch combination which makes the deer as eager for it as cattle are for a salt block. If you live in the woods, take some lichens off the trees, place them in a small heap where the deer are accustomed to use.

I have never done this near a deer yard or trail and found one bit of it left the next day. Lichen will not supply the nourishment which the moosewood, maple, or other browse will, but I'm sure that it must be the winter pie and candy for the deer, when they can reach it.

## Red Wings Battle For First Place

Montreal, Dec. 27 (AP)—First place in National Hockey league standings is the prize awaiting the winner of tomorrow night's important meeting of the fast coming Detroit Red Wings and Montreal's Stanley Cup champions.

Two week-end triumphs over Toronto brought the Red Wings within a single point of the league leading Canadiens, who haven't lost a game to Detroit since the 1942-43 season.

So far this year Detroit has met Montreal three times, losing twice by 3-2 scores and tying once 3-3. Last season Les Canadiens whipped the Wings nine times and their only other meeting went to a draw.

Detroit, with six wins, one tie and one defeat since the goal-tending debut of 18-year old Harry Lumley, has four straight victories going into the first place scrap with Les Canadiens.

Pontons attached to the sterns of ships built in the Great Lakes shipyards raise the bulk of the ships and allowed them to travel through the shallow channel of the Illinois-Mississippi river.

"Sold the first day," said Jones. "Now you try a For Sale Ad."

## PRO FOOTBALL BANKS ON 4-F'S

Work - Or - Fight Order Not Expected To Break Up Loop

BY JIMMY JORDAN

Chicago, Dec. 27 (AP)—The National Football League studied the rosters of its players tonight and pondered the possibility of government "work or fight" orders and selective service directives might force suspension of activities next year.

"Unless the orders recently sent out from Washington are much more severe than they appear, I do not think our present setup will be affected too drastically," George Strickler, publicity director for the league, said tonight.

A survey of one league team revealed nine of its 23 players hold medical discharges from the service and 10 are classified 4-F because of old football injuries. Strickler said similar surveys were being made of all teams, and added he believed similar figures would be revealed. He did not name the one team.

He named a number of league players who had been classified 4-F for various reasons, and singled out Frankie Sinkwich, Detroit Lions' ace back.

"Sinkwich was discharged by the Marines. Later he entered the Merchant Marine, and again was discharged. He was called up by selective service and classified 4-F," Strickler said.

Layden said he didn't believe the services were anxious to take football players who once had been discharged or classified 4-F because of football injuries.

## Orange Bowl Teams Pile Into Miami; Tech Is Favorite

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP)—Both Orange Bowl football teams piled into Miami tonight and found that on-the-scene bettors had made Georgia Tech a favorite over Tulsa with the odds ranging from 7-to-5 to 2-to-1.

For even money, a Tulsa supporter could get 6, 5 1/2 or 2 points, depending on the wagering establishment that he visited.

The odds on Tech were a little more shaky than they were in New York, where 7-point money could be found, because Tulsa made an impression here in downing the University of Miami, 48 to 2, while using the first team for little longer than one period.

The first stringers scored six touchdowns on a couple of simple passes and a lot of sheer power. Coach Henry Frnka, who led the last contingent of Tulsans into town, seemed pleased to learn that his team is the underdog.

"Odds against us, eh?" he exclaimed. "Nothing new to us." "The odds were against us when we played Tennessee (in the 1943 Sugar Bowl) and Georgia Tech in the 1944 Sugar Bowl. We lost those games, all right, but I still like it. I wouldn't change it if I could!"

## Death Of Minors In Hunting Mishaps To Be Investigated

Lansing, Dec. 27 (AP)—Seeking to discover why so many minors were involved in hunting accidents during the 1944 season, the state conservation department today assigned a special investigator to interview the parents of youths involved in these accidents.

During the small and big game seasons, 20 of 38 persons killed in gunshot accidents were under 18 years of age and at least 53 of 142 gunshot wound cases involved hunters under 18.

The department said the investigator had been ordered to make a "most painstaking" study. Parents are to be asked whether they knew state law requires minors engaged in hunting to be accompanied by adults, the extent of the experience and training among such minors in the use of firearms, and other pertinent facts.

## NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

Toronto 8; New York 2.

## Racing Associations Close Up Shop Jan. 3

BY ORLO ROBERTSON

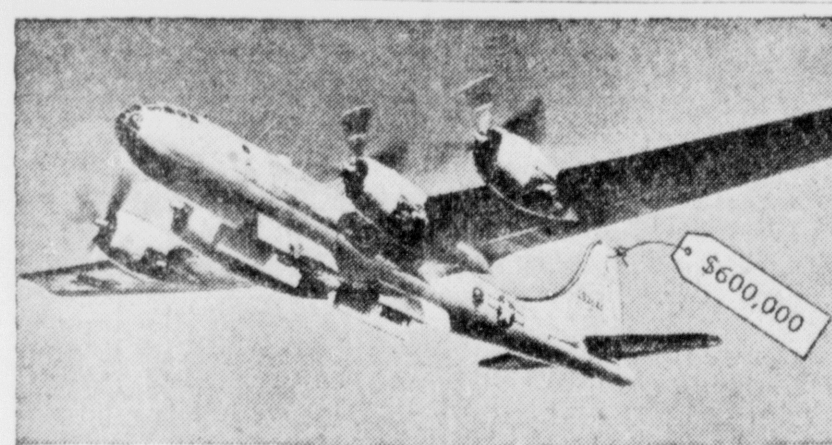
New York, Dec. 27 (AP)—Opposing special favors for any of its 33 members, the board of directors of the thoroughbred racing associations today pledged complete compliance with the request that all racing in the United States be suspended Jan. 3.

In a telegram to James F. Byrnes, war mobilization director who issued the request last Saturday, the board headed by Henry A. Parr III, of Baltimore said:

"The board of directors of the thoroughbred racing associations of the United States pledges you its support and recommends to its 33 member racing associations complete compliance with your request that all racing suspend after Jan. 3, 1945."

The wording of the telegram and conversation of several members of the board left it clear that the organization was against any track asking permission to operate on a limited basis.

The board also called a meeting of all its members for Jan. 12



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**BUY THAT BOND, MISTER!** — Keeping Yanks supplied with fighting tools on the battlefronts is an expensive proposition, as is attested here with some of the important items listed with their individual price tags. For instance, a B-29 Superfortress, pictured at the top, costs \$600,000, or the equivalent of 6000 matured \$100 War Bonds. Other items shown above are equally costly. (NEA Photo.)

## The Sports Parade

By Ken Gunderman

The final decision on whether professional sports will continue in 1945 probably will be based upon what regulations, if any, the government places upon 4-F's and discharged veterans. Baseball, for instance, almost certainly will continue if it is permitted to retain the 4-F's and the men on their rosters who have been discharged from military service. That is, it will continue unless the government requests suspension for the duration and this appears now as a rather remote possibility.

There has been a lot of talk about re-examining the 4-F's and to force them into war plants or into the military service.

Actually, however, the army doesn't want the 4-F's and already has its hands full with a lot of men who should have been rejected for military service but were not. These men have broken down under the strain of military training and many of them have already been released from service. To force them into war plants will require a labor draft and the hesitancy against this policy has increased, rather than decreased, in recent months. Obviously a labor draft would have solved the whole problem if instituted early in the war.

The selection of Don Hutson as the principal speaker for the annual Chamber of Commerce football recognition banquet for Escanaba and St. Joseph high school athletes on January 16 is being enthusiastically received by the preppers and businessmen alike. Hutson is not only one of the greatest, perhaps the greatest football player of all time, but he also is in great demand as an after-dinner speaker. The Packer star indicated he will bring along some films of the Packers' big games and will explain the plays if the boys would like that. They probably will.

The football recognition banquet generally is held in December, but was delayed this year until after the National Pro football season so that Hutson could be secured as the main speaker. He is truly the Mr. Big of professional football.

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE**  
New York, Dec. 27 (AP)—Closing foreign exchange rates follow (Great Britain in dollars, others in cents): Canadian dollar in New York open market 10 3/16 per cent discount, or 88.1 1/2 U. S. cents, 96 1/4 of a cent higher.  
Europe: Great Britain official, buying \$4.02, selling \$4.04.  
Latin America: Argentina free 24.88, unchanged; Brazil free 3.25, Mexico 20.65.  
Non-Nominal.

## WHAT STOCK MARKET DID

New York, Dec. 27 (AP)—Wd. Tues.  
Advances ..... 142 210  
Declines ..... 670 446  
Unchanged ..... 172 197  
Total issues ..... 984 853

## NEW YORK STOCKS

Al. Chem. & Dye \$155.00  
Allis Ch. Mfg. 37.25  
American Can. 90.00  
Am. Car & Fwy 37.75  
Am. Rad. & St. 51.25  
Am. Tel. & Tel. 163.50  
American Tob. 64.25  
Anacosta 27.87  
Aviation Corp. 5.25  
Bendix Aviation 48.25  
Bethlehem Steel 37.00  
Briggs Mfg. 37.00  
Budd Wheel 10.00  
Calumet & Hecla 7.12  
Can. Dry G. Ale 20.87  
Case J. I. Co. 35.00  
Celanese Corp. 30.75  
Ches. & Ohio 42.25  
Crysler Corp. 80.50  
Cont. Motors 8.50  
Gen. Electric 37.25  
Curtiss Wright 5.75  
Detroit Edison 20.87  
Dow Chemical 118.00  
Du Pont De N. 154.00  
Eastman Kodak 172.00  
El. Power & L. 3.75  
Firestone T. & R. 35.50

## General Electric

General Foods 41.75  
General Motors 37.25  
Goodyear T. & R. 49.25  
Homestead Min. 41.75  
Hudson Motor 13.25  
Inland Steel 81.75  
Int. Harvester 79.50  
Int. Nickel Can. 27.87  
Johns-Manville 190.00  
Kennecott Copper 35.87  
Kresko (S) 26.75  
Libbey-Ogden 37.25  
Liggett & My. B. 18.12  
Lockheed Aircraft 19.87  
Lumbar Copper 7.12  
Montgomery Ward 20.87  
Motor Wheel 24.25  
Nash Kelvinator 15.00  
National Electric 22.50  
Nat. Cash Reg. 32.75  
N. Y. Central RR. 22.12  
N. Am. Aviation 10.00  
Packard Motor 5.12  
Packard Motor 5.12  
Parke Davis 30.25  
Penn. (P. C.) 19.00  
Phelps Dodge 24.25  
Phillips Pet. 42.87

## General Electric

Proctor & Gam. 57.12  
Remington Rand 22.50  
Republic Steel 18.75  
Sears Roebuck 102.87  
Shell Union Oil 25.25  
Standard Brands 40.00  
Std. G. & E. 54 Pf. 2.62  
Standard Oil Ind. 25.25  
Standard Oil N. 19.00  
Stearns Electric 18.25  
Swift & Co. 31.75  
Timken Steel 42.12  
Union Pacific 112.50  
United Aircraft 25.50  
United Fruit 17.00  
United Gas Imp. 10.37  
U. S. Rubber 50.37  
West. Union 56.12  
Westing. Air Br. 25.75  
Woodworth (F. W.) 41.75  
Zenith Radio 36.87

## NEW YORK CUBS

Ch. S. S. 14.50  
El. Bond & S. Pf. 98.87  
Hecla Mining 8.62

## Baseball Caught Without Leader In Latest Crisis

BY WHITNEY MARTIN

New York, Dec. 27 (AP)—It looks like the Byrnes' statement concerning 4-F pro athletes has caught the baseball herd without a leader in a time when such a leader is urgently needed.

Under normal circumstances the game could proceed for six months or a year or even indefinitely under the rule of the three-man commission named to fill in until a successor to K. M. Landis is named, but these are anything but normal times and one voice, melodious or sour but with authority regardless, is the crying need.

This is no reflection on the ability and judgment of Ford Frick, Will Harridge and Leslie O'Connor, the three men filling in a commission. It merely points out the fact that at present one man who can speak with authority is better than three men who, speaking individually, must qualify their statements.

**Baseball Is Golden**  
Not that baseball necessarily would express itself one way or another now. The chances are that one spokesman, as the three spare-time commissioners are doing now and as Landis did before them, would maintain a spartan silence. In fact, Landis said all there was to say when he said practically nothing.

But if the occasion did arise for some authorized comment from baseball, there is no one to make it, and if each of the temporary commissioners were to make a statement the game might find itself pointing in three directions at once.

Landis was quick to resent any intimation that baseball was in any way soliciting or otherwise obtaining favors. Whether he would have audibly protested the wording of the Byrnes' statement as to 4-F athletes is problematical, but there is nobody with his authority to make such a protest now.

Byrnes left an opening for the impression that some of the 4-F pro athletes should not be 4-F, as he could not understand how they could be unfit for military service and yet compete in rugged sports.

**Athletes in Spotlight**  
It never has been so much as implied that anyone connected with baseball has sought special privileges for athletes, and it is no fault of an athlete if he is put in a 4-F classification. In fact, many major league baseball players have been called up for re-examination several times, and on each occasion given a 4-F rating.

The only way such men could be taken into the service would be to lower the standard of physical qualification for service, and if that was done it would not affect athletes alone, but men in every line of work.

Pro athletes happen to be in the spotlight, and engaged in an endeavor which is obviously unessential, although it is no more unessential than scores of other professions. Lawyers, real estate men, shopkeepers, even sports writers, are engaging in their work primarily for their own interests.

At any rate, baseball now is on a spot where a definite "yes" and "no" man is the greatest need. The sooner one is appointed the better for the game. Such a man might say nothing, but at least it would be an authoritative silence.

## At the finish wheat was 1-8 lower to 1-10, 1-10, 1-10, 1-10

At the finish wheat was 1-8 lower to 1-10, 1-10, 1-10, 1-10. May 1-64 to 1-64 1/2. Corn was 1-8 higher to 3-8 lower, May 1-10 1/2. Oats were up 1/4 to 1/4, May 1/4 to 1/4. Rye was unchanged to 3-8 lower, May 1-12 1/2 to 1-12 1/2. Barley was off 1-8 to 1/4, May 1-10 1/2. Only were firm at the opening when cash interests were the best buyers. July barley at one time was up a cent when small buying orders disclosed a shortage of offerings.

## CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

Chicago, Dec. 27 (AP)—(A)—Salable hogs 13,000; good and choice barrows and gilts 180 lbs. and up at 14.75; cullings; few good and choice 150 to 180 lbs. 14.25 to 14.75; virtually all 14.00; complete clearance early. Shipments 2,000.

Salable cattle 10,000, total 10,000; salable calves 1,000, total 1,000; fed steers and yearlings including yearling heifers steady to 25 cents lower; mostly steady except on an occasional heavy weight bullocks; largely steer run. Bulk 12.75 to 16.50; top 17.40, paid for Chicago. Good and choice 15.00 to 16.00; bulk heifers 13.00 to 15.00; best 16.25; cows and bulls closed 25 to 40 cents higher, active at advance. Vealers firm 15.50 down; stocker and feeder trade at standstill.

Salable sheep 8,000, total 10,000; slaughter lambs active, steady to 25 cents higher; other classes steady to strong; good and choice fed wooled western lambs, 15.00 to 15.25; numerous loads 15.00 to 15.15; medium and good lambs 14.00 to 14.50; good and choice yearling wethers 13.25; two loads Kansas wethers 13.00; 11.35; aged slaughter ewes, 5.00 to 7.25.

The Coast Guard has a new fire extinguisher called the Fire Monitor which fights fire under docks.

## Closing Quotations

NEW YORK STOCKS  
Al. Chem. & Dye \$155.00  
Allis Ch. Mfg. 37.25  
American Can. 90.00  
Am. Car & Fwy 37.75  
Am. Rad. & St. 51.25  
Am. Tel. & Tel. 163.50  
American Tob. 64.25  
Anacosta 27.87  
Aviation Corp. 5.25  
Bendix Aviation 48.25  
Bethlehem Steel 37.00  
Briggs Mfg. 37.00  
Budd Wheel 10.00  
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## Garden

**Church Services**  
Garden—St. John the Baptist, Sunday, Dec. 31st. Mass at 10:30 a. m.  
Monday, Jan. 1st, 1945, Feast of the Circumcision, 8 a. m.  
Congregational, Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.

**Program**  
The pupils of the kindergarten room, taught by Miss Marcella Winter, demonstrated their ability to entertain their parents Thursday afternoon as follows:  
"The First Piece," Marlene Guertin.  
"We Love Him," Jerry Boswell.  
"A Little Girl," Joan Guertin.  
"Nursery Rhymes," Kindergarten Class.  
"Miss Holly," Violet Robare.  
"Christmas Cookie," Mary Tatrow.  
"Old Santa is a busy man" Harland Valiquette.  
"My Christmas Gift," Lynn Winter.  
"Small speeches" James LaVallee.

"The three kittens" Kindergarten and first grade.  
"The nicest day," Kent Peterson.  
"Ten little Indians" "Stronger toys, please!" Gary Rochefort.  
"A busy mother" Melanie Hazen.  
"Christmas Acrostic" Kenneth Kauthen, Monty Ward, James Joque, Alvin Lalonde, Robert Rangnette, Edward Neadow, Richard Beaudre, Gerald Guertin, Bruce Jacobsen.  
"Four busy little maids" Carol Latulip, Leora Cota, Shirley Cousineau and Eileen Anderson.  
"Little Jack Horner" Richard Beaudre.  
"The Watchers," First grade girls.  
"Santa's Brownies" Five boys.  
"The Belle I want" Marlene Guertin.  
"A Christmas poem" Eileen Anderson.  
Songs, "Silent Night," "Twinkle Little Star," "Away in a Manger" by all.  
"A Little Greeting," Marie Ouradnik.

At this point Santa Claus appeared and distributed gifts and candy. Classes were recessed Friday for two weeks and will be resumed Monday, Jan. 8th.

**In Service**  
Pvt. Harold Paulson of Florida came Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tulson.  
Cpl. Roland Cota of Texas is on a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cota.  
Ensign Ella Joque, U. S. N. R. of the Great Lakes Naval hospital arrived here Saturday to spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Joque.  
Edward Lamotte Jr., U. S. Coast Guard service has arrived here from the East coast to spend the holidays with his parents.

**High School Party**  
The girls of the high school assembled at the school after the supper hour Thursday and practiced Christmas carols, directed by Mrs. Robert Tatrow. They then visited every house in the village and sang their songs, which were much appreciated by the residents, and returned to school and played games after which they enjoyed lunch.

**Briefs**  
Miss Cleotabelle Bonifas of Escanaba is spending the vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bonifas.

The Misses Priscilla, Mae and Muriel Farley of Detroit came Saturday night to spend until Wednesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Farley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heric and granddaughter, Sherry Bennett of Manistique were guests at the Purtillo home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moran spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smythe of Escanaba.

Orville Martin left Saturday for Sturgeon Bay to spend the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Martin.

Miss Doris Hazen returned to Waukegan, Ill., Monday night after spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Hazen. Ensign Ella Joque accompanied Mrs. Hazen to Escanaba to return to duty.

Ed LaMarbe of Chicago came Saturday to spend the week end here with his wife and parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Planter.

Mrs. Denter left Friday for Escanaba to spend Christmas with relatives.

Fr. Sterbenz left Monday for Calumet to visit his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gauthier spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs. John Potvin of Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Beauchamp of Iron Mountain were Christmas guests at the Nelson Tatrow home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Boudreau and sons Richard and Robert spent Friday afternoon in Escanaba.

Joseph Desrocher, motored to Escanaba last Monday and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theophil Desrocher and also his youngest daughter, Sister Josepheda. He

**For Sale**  
RECONDITIONED USED PIANOS—Piano tuning—instrument repairing—we'll buy your old piano—LIFUNGH MUSIC STORE—Escanaba C-112.  
NATIONAL CASH REGISTER in good condition. See at Lee's Style Shop, 1005 Lud St. C-362-31.  
DRY BIRCH stove wood, 12 in. length, \$10.00 per load. 620 S. 18th St. Phone 1837. 320-362-31.

## Livestock

FOR SALE—Team of sound horses, age 12 years, weight 3500 lbs. Mrs. Wester Rajala, R. 1, Box 32, Rock, Mich. 312-362-31.

MARLBLEHEAD MINERAL BASE, the correct mineral feed. 100 lb. bag, \$2.40. MICHIGAN POTATO GROWERS EXCHANGE, 610 First Ave. N. Phone 88. C-28.

## Legals

**TIMBER SALE**  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That certain timber on the following described state owned land will be offered at public auction, in accordance with certain rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Act 178, P. A. 1935, at the District Conservation Headquarters, Escanaba, Michigan, January 12, 1945, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Central War Time.  
R 24 W. Delta County  
For detailed cutting specifications, rules and regulations and other information inquire at the District Conservation Headquarters, Escanaba, Michigan, or Lands Division, Department of Conservation, Lansing.  
The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.  
OFFMASTER, Director.  
322-Dec 28, 1944, Jan. 4, 1945

## Fayette

**Honor Roll**  
Fayette—Miss June Bernard of the South River school reports the following honor pupils for December:  
Scholarship—  
Grade 7—Jacqueline Chayer, and Eleanor Collins.  
Grade 5—Bonnie Jean Collins.  
Grade 4—Gary Devet.  
Grade 2—Wayne Bernard and Miriam Collins.  
Grade 1—Allen Gauthier.  
Kindergarten—Sharon Gauthier.  
Attendance—  
Jacqueline, Verna and Kent Chayer, Keith, Allen and Sharon Gauthier, Robert and Wayne Bouchard.

**Christmas Program**  
Christmas program given Thursday night at the South River school:  
Recitation, "A big message from a small girl," Sharon Gauthier.  
Recitation, "The joy of greeting you," Wayne Bernard.  
Recitation, "Wise advice," Wayne Bouchard.  
Song, "Silent Night" by all.  
Recitation, "It's time to be tall," Robert Bouchard.  
Recitation, "Dolly's Christmas," Miriam Collins.  
Play, "Christmas in Punkin Hollow" by Bonnie Jean, Eleanor and Gerard Collins, Jacqueline, Verna and Kent Chayer, James and Wayne Van Remortel and Gary Devet.

Song, "Oh Come All Ye Faithful," Third, Fourth, Fifth and Seventh grades.  
Monologue, "Testing Santas" Wayne Van Remortel.  
Song, "White Christmas" Wayne Bernard.  
Play, "Call the Next Case" Kent, Verna and Jacqueline Chayer, Eleanor Collins, Wayne and James VanRemortel, and Gary Devet.

Song, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" by Grades 3, 4, 5, and 7.  
Recitation, The letter that couldn't be mailed" Keith Gauthier.  
Dialogue, "Lovin' Leroy" Jacqueline Chayer and Eleanor Collins.  
Monologue "Just Before Christmas," Gerard Collins.  
Drill, "Merry Christmas" Jacqueline and Verna Chayer, Eleanor and Bonnie Collins, James and Wayne Van Remortel, Gary Devet and Wayne Bernard.

Recitation, "Merry Christmas Wishes," Allen Gauthier.  
Music was provided between acts. Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed a large number of gifts.

**Briefs**  
All schools closed Friday to be opened Jan. 8th.  
Mrs. Knute Leivdal of Detroit is visiting her daughter Mrs. Alex Bouchard.

James Tallman, U. S. Navy, from Norfolk, Va., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Tallman.

Miss Evelyn Dalgord, Miss Theodora Swanson, Miss Bertha Johnson of Detroit and Hector Peterson of Battle Creek spent the holidays with their relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Tallman left Sunday to spend Christmas with relatives in Sturgeon Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jacobsen and son Bruce spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Farley of Garden.

was accompanied by Miss Nancy Olmsted, Mrs. Clark and son Carlton.  
Miss Dora Latulip of Detroit spent the week end here with relatives.

Mrs. Paul Lamkey was taken to the Shaw hospital at Manistique Monday night and underwent an operation there Saturday morning.

Mrs. Mary McPhee and daughter Helen Grace were Christmas day guests of the Gordon McPhees.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kresheske and Miss Nancy Olmsted motored to Escanaba Saturday night to meet the Misses Lois and Betty Kresheske of Chicago.

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FOUND—Valuable steel tool box. Owner may claim by identifying and paying for this ad. Dave Weston, Manistique. 576-353-31.

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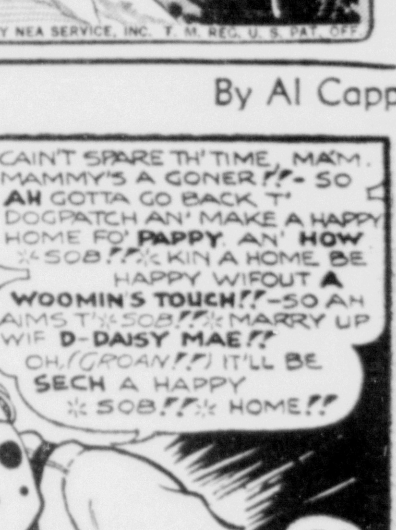
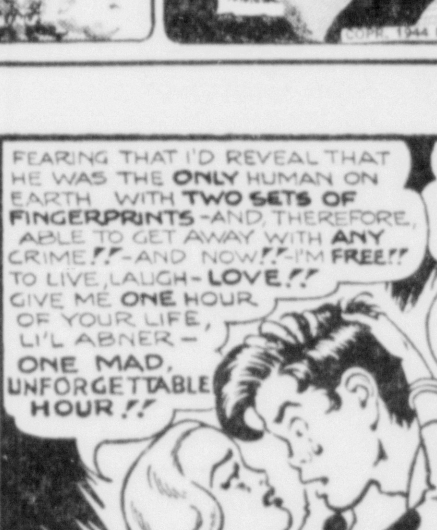
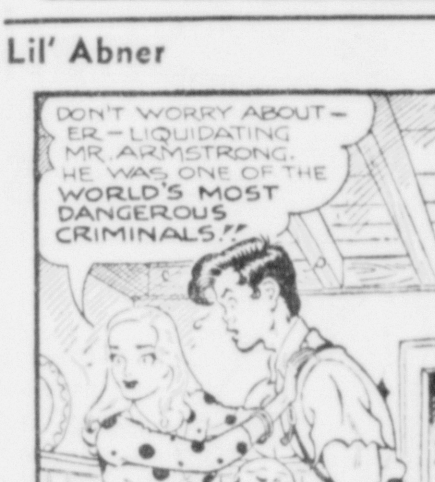
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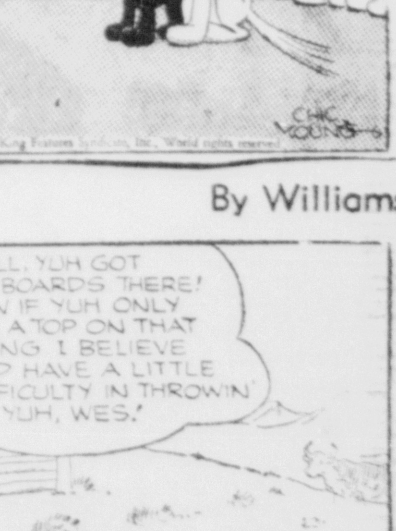
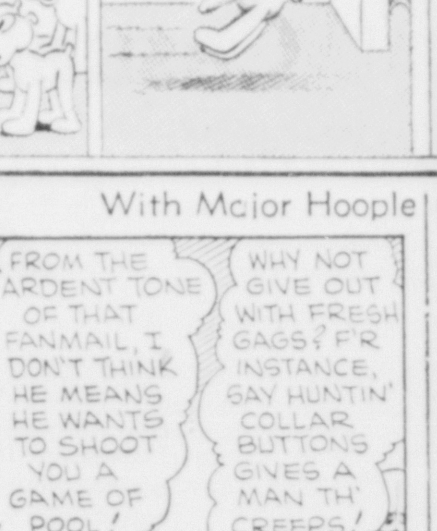
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## CANAL PROJECT IS MENTIONED

### Au Train Waterway Was In Omnibus Measure, Failed To Pass

Washington, D. C. (WNS) — Within several months the War Department will begin examinations and surveys to determine the need for construction of a waterway connecting Lake Superior and Lake Michigan and various other Michigan rivers and harbors, Army Engineers said.

Authorization for such investigations was provided in the rivers and harbors omnibus bill, which failed to pass the Senate in December but is expected to be re-introduced and become law early in 1945.

The object of the surveys is to ascertain whether there is need for actual construction projects at these locations:

Waterway connecting Lake Superior and Lake Michigan, from Au Train Lake to Little Bay de Noc, Michigan. Harbor at mouth of Au Train River, Michigan. Sheldrake Harbor, Michigan. Saint Marys River at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, with a view to providing facilities for light-draft navigation. Harbor at Saint Ignace, Michigan. Mackinac Harbor, Michigan. Galien River, Berrien County, Michigan. Pien River, Michigan. Pinconning River, Michigan. Clinton River, Michigan.

The bill provides that the government "shall not be deemed to have entered upon any project for the improvement of any waterway or harbor mentioned in this act until the project for the proposed work shall have been adopted by law." This means that more examination of a river or harbor does not mean work will be started in the near future. Actually, projects approved as a result of these surveys may not get started

### Friday Deadline On 6th War Loan Bond Purchases

If you plan to fulfill those pledges to purchase war bonds in the Sixth War Loan period you will have to do it by tomorrow at the latest, according to advice received by Charles Hammar, chairman of the Delta County War Loan committee.

L. B. Hadley, Marquette, deputy manager of the war finance committee, has advised county War Loan chairmen also to impress upon issuing agents, such as banks and post offices, that remittances for all bonds sold be sent in not later than Saturday, Dec. 30.

By special arrangement all remittances which reach the Federal Reserve Banks as late as January 2 will be credited against quotas. The sale of as many savings bonds and tax notes as possible during

until 1946 or 1947.

After the survey or preliminary examination, Army engineers said, plans for the project must be drawn and a bill authorizing the work presented to Congress, probably as part of another rivers and harbors bill.

In each case the cost of the project must be estimated and the need expressed in terms of benefits to local interests and water transportation in general.

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The average freight haul on American railroads increased from 308 to 470 miles in the period from 1922 to 1943, equal to a 53 per cent increase.

### Rock

Rock high school will begin on January 8 instead of Jan. 2 as erroneously reported previously.

An evening service will be conducted by Rev. Amos Marin on Tuesday evening, Jan. 2, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kammen Sr.

Mrs. Victor Stamper of Rockford, Ill., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lauri.

Miss Pearl Mattila of Washing-

ton, D. C., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mattila. Miss Pearl Kaukola of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jacob Kaukola.

Among Detroit residents visiting here are Miss Eleanor Jokela visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jokela, the Misses Anna and Hilla Anderson and Martin and Tauno Anderson with Mrs. Anna Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Walimaa with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ahola.

Mrs. Jack Nichols of Chicago visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Muhonen.

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A serviceable coat for year 'round wear. Girls' red and plaid reversible coats are always popular. Also a few fitted models in blue. Priced regularly to \$12.98.

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Women's heavy quality wool sno suits with poplin lining. Treated for wind and water repellency. Colors are navy, wine, and green. Sizes 12 to 20.



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**\$3.98**

Select a few extra sweaters now. Wool slipovers and button front cardigans in blue, beige, orchid, and green. Also heavy knit sweaters. Regularly priced to \$5.98.

Wool slipover sweaters with short sleeves. Values to 3.98 ..... \$1.98

### Women's Blouses

**\$2.98**

Women's blouses of rayon crepe and taffeta. In pastel shades and checks. Sizes 32 to 38. Regularly priced to \$3.98.

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**\$4.98**

Women's wool and rayon skirts in plaids and plain colors. Flared and pleated styles. Regularly priced to \$7.98.

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